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### Westland squad car idled in front of 7-11 for 20 minutes

After being denied police service recently because my complaint was low priority, I discovered Wednesday morning how busy the Westland police really

I went to the 7-11 and a Westland police car was sitting there idle. I was at the store for 20 minutes, and it sounded like they were having a reunion or a coffee klatch meeting in the back room

The whole time the police car sat in front of the store and idled. This is how busy they are.

### Who is paid to clean and maintain the Rouge River?

Every year at this time when they have the volunteers to clean up the Rouge River, I try to find out who is getting paid to clean the Rouge River.

Is it the DNR or Wayne County Road Commission? Somebody is getting paid to maintain this waterway. Obviously they aren't doing their job, but nobody seems to

Can somebody answer?

### **Absentee council** members make absentee legislators

This call is about an article that appeared in the Detroit News on May 27 pertaining to the high rate of absenteeism among state law makers.

According to the article, two area members, Tom Kelly and Eileen DeHart, of Wayne and Westland, have missed over 25

percent of the votes. How can they seriously repre-

sent anyone if they aren't there? This problem all begins at the local level.

Both councils in these two cities have rates of absenteeism. If we know that, we shouldn't elect these people -- they miss council meetings

So why would they do anything different when they get to the state house?

### **Memorial Day Parade** marred by high weeds, blowing trash

It really looks good in the vicinity of Cherry Hill and Wayne

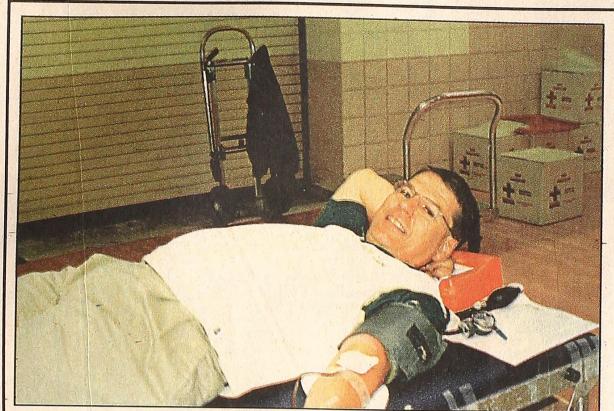
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### Life saver on board

Romulus High School math teacher (and former baseball coach) Don Foley donates a pint of blood to the American Red Cross last week at the high school's annual health fair. MCN Special Photo

# 'Cops & Jocks' liaison named to help athletes

By AL POST

MCN Staff Writer

Continuing in their proactive style, the Romulus Police Neighborhood Community Services Division has named Officer Christopher Imperati as its 'Cops & Jocks' Officer. While Imperati is assigned full time to the Jones Subdivi-

sion, Lt. James Rafalski revealed, he also has been named the C & J officer and during the off season will attend one Junior Varsity as well as Varsity workout session per

During the school year, Imperati will also attend one practice per week, attend all Junior Varsity games as a

# Industrial firm hit by fire,

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The main building of the Contractors Industrial Tire Co. that was hit by fire last year, will be rebuilt and reopened possibly as early as this Octo-

James Edwards, vice president, said the firm has been operating in Romulus for 14

The tire company leased the property at 15515 Wayne Road (between Eureka and Pennsylvania) for three years and then purchased it, Edwards said.

storage building, Edward said, and will be rebuilt this sum-

The work force of nine persons then began operating with cellular phones and picnic benches and still conducted \$438,000 ain business.

Edwards credited the top sales routine to having both quality staff members and customers.

"Our new building will have smaller office space but much larger storage space," Edwards said.

The City Council last week approved a zoning change to acre property.

games in police uniform.

Under the guidelines of the C & J program, he also will recruit no more than eight at risk youth who have a need for strong guidance and mentoring with academics, behavior and life affirming skills.

Those involved will be selected in cooperation with the coaching staffs and will consist of both varsity and junior varsity players.

Truancy and behavior problems will be closely monitored and tutorial programs will be offered those having academic problems.

Imperati also will attempt to select three role models among the football team players, who also will work as mentors during the course of these programs.

During the athletic season, Imperati also will make two unannounced in home visits to each youth per semester to reinforce the plans with the youth's parents.

Players also will be exposed to the college environment at Eastern Michigan University, during which times they will meet EMU football players and attend one EMU football practice and football game.

They also will spend one full day on campus with an EMU player as a guide.

### Last year a \$1.2 million fire M-1 Light Industrial for the 6.5 destroyed the main office and Eagle star to pitch, hit in the Netherland games

MCN Staff Writer

Derek Plave - the hard hitting and pitching star of the Romulus Eagles baseball team - will be flying soon from Detroit Metro Airport to Amsterdam for 10 games against European teams.

Eagle Manager Keith Brothers is excited about Plave's chances to "showcase his massive talents overseas. Derek hits the ball hard (mostly line drives) and has an exceptional fast ball and good curve ball."

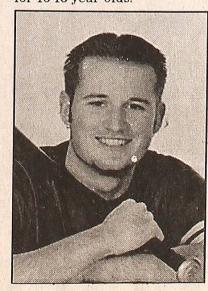
In addition, Brothers said, Plave also is a good student as well as an athlete.'

Prior to leaving for Europe, Plave was to be the starting pitcher this past Tuesday against Annapolis High School (too late for this edition). If the Eagles triumph they are to take part in the playoffs on Sat-

Plave revealed he received a letter offering him a chance

to try out for the U.S. Baseball Stars Travel Team in mid-November 1998.

He accepted the chance to tryout at Michigan State University and was thrilled to be informed later that he would be asked to join the U.S. team for 16-18 year olds.



Derek Plave

Plave is looking forward to going to college where he can play baseball. If professional ball is not in his future, Plave said he will work to become an engineer. In the meantime Plave is

looking forward to playing for Steve Merriman, manager of the U.S. Baseball Stars. Merriman also is affiliated

with Macomb County Community College and a scout for the Colorado Rockies of the National League.

Plave is seeking to raise over \$3,000 for his travel time to Europe. He appeared at the Romulus City Council meeting last week to make city leaders and local residents of his baseball opportunity and requested financial help from interested parties.

Those interested can send financial aid to Derek Plave at 10150 Ozga Road, Romulus, MI. 48174 or drop off the checks at Mayor William Oakley's office in Romulus City Hall.

# 600 modular home sites face zoning vote...

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

A major multi-faceted zoning change request involving 600 potential manufactured homes for the tree barren area at Wayne and Ecorse Roads goes to the City Council this

The housing proposal of-fered by the Elro Corp. failed to get the endorsement recently from the city's appointed Plannming Commission.

Thus it appears that the upscale modual homes will face a tough battle in receiving the okay from the city's seven elected council members.

Richard A. Schoenherr, vice president of Elro Corp., told the Planning Commissioners earlier that the home options at The Reserve at Arrow Pointe would be unique to both Romulus and surrounding areas, since two story homes and ones with attached garages would be among the six to eight models that would be offered to home buyers.

Schoenherr said the treeless 120 acres would be reforested with multiple styles of trees and a large nature center would be in the subdivision and could be visited by local students.

The 10 acre nature preserve would include various historical trees including some grown from seeds that had "visited the moon," as well as those similar to trees planted at the homes of former Presidents George Washington and Thomas Jefferson.

The homesites would cost \$40,000 to \$70,000, Schoenherr said, and would be owned by families that earn \$40,000 to \$50,000 a year.

that these families would add road during any one period of about \$2 1/2 to \$5 million in the day.

spending money to the Romulus area.

The home properties would be 55 feet wide and 110 feet deep, he said, with some properties being much wider if the larger home styles were se-

However City Planner Gary Wilson asked for a denial recommendation of the application, since he claimed it failed to meet six criteria.

Among those criteria, he said, was its failure to be compatible with the city's master plan and it had lower home density than envisioned by

master plan creators. He also said Wayne Road is a major gateway to Romulus and said the manufactured home concept is not a desirable use for property so close to the Metro World area that the city has already invested in heavily (\$14 million).

Homeowners there also would offer limited returns to the city and school district compared to the public services its family members would require, he said. Several private citizens, in-

cluding former City Councilwoman Mary Collins, arose at the Planning Commission meeting to oppose the manufactured home creation. Collins, who declared she

was "not hot" on the plan, since potential residents there will "get a freer ride (taxwise) than you or I."

She upset corporate leaders by constantly referring to the planned homes as "trailers."

Collins also complained that 600 home sites would add to the already congested traffic on Wayne Road during busy travel times of the day - even if Schoenherr guesstimated only 300 families exited on the

# Romulus, Wayne County to share traffic ticket revenue

MCN Staff Writer

Traffic violators caught by Wayne County Sheriff's officers on either I-94 or I-275 will soon be prosecuted on Romulus city ordinance complaints rather than Michigan state laws.

The change in traffic law patterns was approved recently by the Romulus City Council following a meeting between Romulus Police Chief Charles Kirby and Wayne County Sheriff's Department Executive Commander Rick Fenton.

Plans call for the sharing of citation revenues on a 50/50 basis between the city and county, Kirby said.

The police chief hoped that the Romulus share would be used to enlarge the city's traffic unit.

In a letter to Mayor William Oakley, Kirby related "currently we have only one officer assigned to traffic and motor carrier duties.

"We would like to spend more time on selective enforcement in high accident areas and improve our motor carrier enforcement," the chief wrote.

Kirby also related that such a move would be a "psychological lift" for the veteran officers of our department.

"A gesture such as this would relieve any feelings that the city government may be thinking of replacing their services with county personnel" in the future, Kirby added.

Oakley revealed that he plans instead to use the 50 percent in revenues for the city's general fund - rather than just for police traffic purposes as supported by Kirby. Oakley also said that either

on a 48- hour notice, if the plan does not live up to either side's The 50/50 program also calls for county sheriff's officers to monitor the two highways in

side can cancel the agreement

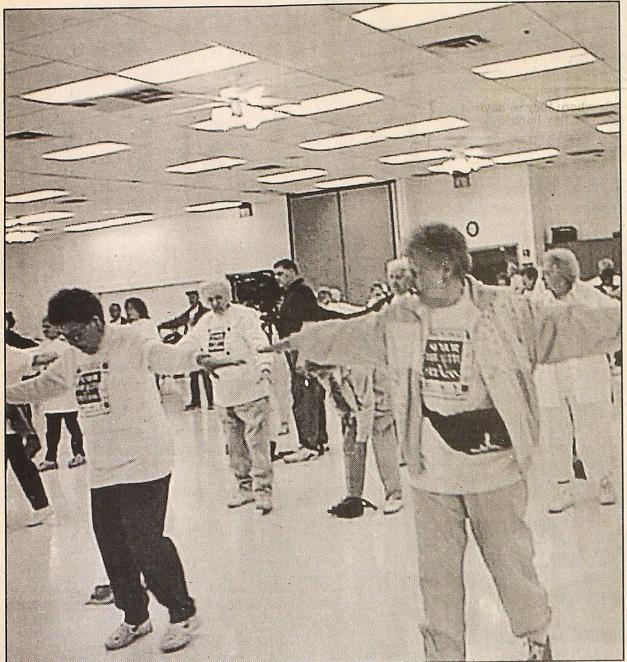
Romulus, thus allowing city police to patrol selected dangerous local streets on a more intense basis. The agreement needs to be signed by Oakley, City Clerk Linda Choate, County Execu-

tive Edward McNamara and

Sheriff Robert Ficano before



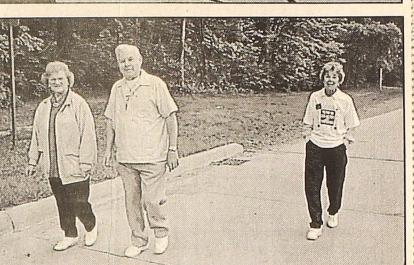
Police Chief Charles Kirby





# Seniors flex their muscles

Seniors, left, warm up in Friendship Center multipurpose room before their fitness walk on Senior Health Day last Wednesday. Center Director Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek, top left, leads Mayor Bob Thomas, city council members, and other local officials on the podium. Walkers finish up their two-mile walk on Marquette.



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The Board of Trustees re-

cently approved a transfer of

\$56,200 from the General Fund

to the Management Informa-

tion System (MIS) division

budget for crucial repairs and

upgrades to the township

The township computer net-

work, which has grown dra-

matically in recent years, has

been experiencing a number

computer network.

of problems and breakdowns

over the past five months, ac-

cording to MIS staff who pre-

sented a detailed report on the

system at a Board study ses-

Due to the increased com-

plexity and staff dependence

on the township networks,

computer downtime during

normal working hours can im-

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pact more than 150 users.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN** 

PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold

a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 9, 1999 at 7:30 p.m., in the

Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of

This Public Hearing relates to the following proposed amendment to

Change the Savage Road and Norfolk and Southern Railroad

area, as shown of the diagram below, and as summarized and

described in the McKenna Associates, Incorporated, memoran-

dum dated February 2, 1999, from R-1B, Single Family

the Official Zoning Map of the Charter Township of Van Buren:

R-1B to R-1A

Written comments will be accepted at the Department of

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, accommo-

Developmental Services until 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date.

dations can be made available with advance notice.

Cindy C. King CMC, AAE Charter Township of Van Buren

June 3, 1999

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Residential, to R-1A, Single Family Residential.

Van Buren, County of Wayne, Michigan, 48111.

sion earlier this month.

# Upgrades cost \$56,200

roads where they're having the

Memorial Day Parade. It really looks good to people who came to see the parade from out of town.

There's weeds to your knees and it looks like it rained trash. All the trash flying on the road.

Why didn't the mayor take care of this before the parade.

Also, I'll bet you they don't have weeds growing high on Hix road, near Joy - at the edge of the city where the mayor lives. There doesn't seem to be a weed and trash problem there. He's going to That's why he almost lives in keep his property values up. Livonia.

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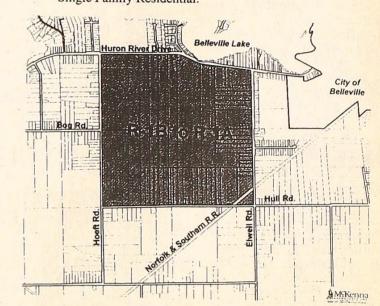
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> Change the Section 29 area, as shown of the diagram below, and as summarized and described in the McKenna Associates, Incorporated, memorandum dated February 2, 1999, from R-1B, Single Family Residential, to R-1A, Single Family Residential.



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> Cindy C. King CMC, AAE Charter Township of Van Buren

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# **Sound Off**

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In its review, MIS looked at the current system's capacities and capabilities and determined that critical changes and improvements were nec-

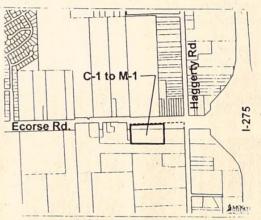
pairs and upgrades needed as soon as possible, the Board agreed to waive formal bidding procedures for acquisition of the required equipment. MIS will secure quotes for all components and select the lowest quote where possible.

In order to complete the re-

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Rezone portions of parcels with numbers including V-125-83-041-99-0001-001 and V-125-83-041-99-0001-713, located in Section 11 and shown on the diagram below, from C-1 (General Business) to M-1 (Light Industrial), with all land further than five hundred seventy five (575) feet from the Haggerty Road right-ofway proposed as M-1, and the balance of property proposed to remain as C-1:



Copies of the proposed amendment are available in the Department of Developmental Services, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Developmental Services until 5:00 PM on the date of the above referenced Public Hearing.

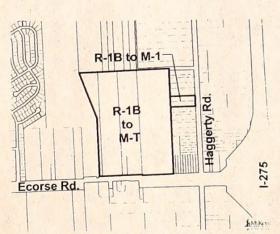
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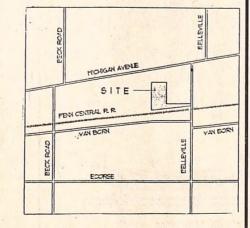
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A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN DESCRIBED AS PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWN 3 SOUTH, RANGE 8 EAST, BEGINNING AT A POINT DISTANT SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 156.79 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 4, AND SOUTH 89 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 15 SEC-ONDS WEST 63 FEET AND SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MIN-UTES 40 SECONDS WEST 767.00 FEET FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 4. THENCE, SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 67.10 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF BELLEVILLE ROAD, AS ESTABLISHED, THENCE SOUTH 78 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST 1267.22 FEET ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF THE MICHIGAN CRENTAL RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, 100 FEET; EAST 455.52 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 767.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST 801 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAIN-ING 12.99 ACRES.

(PARCEL NUMBER V-125-83-013-99-0002-702, LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BELLEVILLE ROAD BETWEEN MICH-IGAN AVENUE AND VAN BORN ROAD).

The applicant proposes to change the Zoning Ordinance No. 6/2/92, as amended, by amending the zoning map accordingly:



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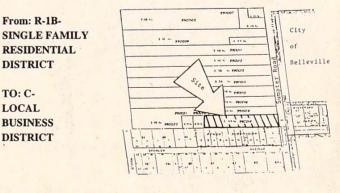
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PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWN 3 SOUTH, RANGE 8 EAST, BEGINNING NORTH 8 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 30 SECONDS SOUTH, WEST 1353.68 FEET FROM THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 28, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 30 SECONDS, WEST 681.20 FEET THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 32 MIN-UTES WEST 101.57 FEET THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 30 SECONDS, EAST 667.70 FEET THENCE SOUTH 8 DEGREES 8 MINUTES 30 SECONDS, EAST 103.09 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCLUDING THE EASTERN 60 FEET (1.44 ACRES).

(A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, PARCEL NUMBER V-125-83-112-99-0019-000) LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF SUMPTER ROAD BETWEEN SPENCER AND OWEN STREETS.

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From: R-1B-

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TO: C-

LOCAL

BUSINESS DISTRICT

# People in the news

# Romulus High graduate earns Yale appointment

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Eric Talley - a 1986 graduate of Romulus High School -has been appointed to the newly created position of community outreach coordinator for the School of Drama/Yale Repertory Theatre.

His former Romulus Middle School music supervisor Richard Kruse revealed "when Eric was in elementary school, he played the cornet.

When he advanced to Middle School, he switched to the baritone and scored 102 on the Middle School Band tryout effort - one of the highest scores ever on this demanding examination, Kruse said.

After graduation in 1986, Talley entered the University of Michigan and started out in the school of Literature, Arts and Sciences.

But Talley found that his true love was still music, so he practiced hard to gain admission to the music school and graduated from the U of M with a bachelor of arts degree



Eric Talley

the University of Zimbabwe Faculty Recruitment program Talley "will bring Yale and at the Africa-America Institute the New Haven community a in New York City.

While in NYC, he also worked as special assistant to we can do together," said Victhe Director of Opera Ebony, toria Nolan, managing director an opera ensemble created to of the repetory theatre.

promote and present opera vocalists in color.

He then returned to school at Wayne State University in Detroit, where he earned his Masters of Fine Arts Management degree.

Talley, while residing in Michigan, served as director of Art for the People, a group formed to present artists of color throughout the state of Michi-

He also participated in a Deloitte/Touche Strategic Planning program, which helped him expand this program into four different divi-

In his new Yale position, Talley will be a liaison between the School of Drama/ Yale Repetory Theatre and the New Haven community.

Among his responsibilities Talley then went to work for will be that of introducing new audiences to the theatre.

gift of great energy, tons of experience and a belief in what

# Wayne woman named 'Hall' visitor chief

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Debra Wake-Williams has been named visitor programs supervisor for the Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn.

Hall of Fame President Gene McKinney announced the new position recently.

Wake-Williams, a resident of Wayne, has an associate's degree from Henry Ford Community College.

She will be responsible for the operation of the ticketing and reception desk, the volunteer program and will assist with education and visitor pro-

Prior to being named to her new position, Wake-Williams served as educational programs assistant for the Hall of

She also has worked as a historical presenter at the Henry Ford Museum.

The Hall of Fame is now open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week through Oct. 31. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5.50 for those over 62 and \$3 for those ages 5-12.

People news...

> By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Van Buren Township treasurer and deputy treasurer Sharry Budd and Bruce Malinczak have graduated from the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Institute.

The three week program covering more than 100 hours of instruction in the duties and responsibilities of a municipal treasurer -- is offered through the Center for Public Service at Central Michigan Univer-

Sarah Wilkinson of Belleville has been awarded an Insignis Scholarship of \$9,900 in gift aid for undergraduates tuition at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Wilkinson is a graduate of Gabriel Richard High School and is the daughter of Mark and Faye Wilkinson.

Two local students, Adam M. Goyt of Westland and Stacy M. Jolly of Wayne, have been named to the spring semester dean's list of Adrian College.

Goyt is a freshman planning a major in German and mathematics. He is 1998 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School and son of Matthew and Roberta Goyt of Westland.

Jolly is a sophomore planning a major in mathematics. She is a 1997 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School and daughter of Gordon and Linda Jolly of Wayne.

Seven western Wayne County area residents have been inducted into the Kappa Iota chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau (International Nursing Honor Society) at Madonna University.

The new KI members are Cynthia Schmidt, a senior from Belleville; Darren Schmidt, a senior from Belleville; Sheryl A. Bennett, a senior from Canton; Jill Jones, a junior from Canton; Laurie Bader a senior from Wayne; Angela Morgan, a senior from Westland; and Lisa Wojciechowski, a senior from Westland.

> Don't forget to look for your horoscope predictions in the Sunday Eyewitness

# **Bizeks mark 60th anniversary**

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Edmund and Irene Bizek of Romulus recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a blessing at St. Aloysius Catholic Church.

The service was followed by a surprise party hosted by their children, JoAnn Bizek-Gates of St. Augustine, Fla. and Eugene Bizek of North Olmstead, Ohio.

The Bizek's were married on May 20, 1939 in St. Stephens Catholic Church in New Boston and lived in Romulus all of their married life.

Bizek was Romulus Township treasurer from 1955 until 1963, township supervisor from 1963 until 1969. Later when Romulus became a city, Bizak served as purchasing director.

The surprise party was attended by 40 guests including nine grandchildren great-grandchildren.



# St. Aloysius Church Pastor Father Rick Thomson congratulates Irene

Police/student camp-over slated

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Romulus Community Police officers and a heavy contingent of Romulus fourth graders they will begin mentoring are planning a camp/ over on June 26/27 at Elmer Johnson Park, Lt. James Rafalski reported last week.

The recently created mentoring program for fourth graders in each of Romulus' five elementary schools, will last for three years.

The program set up with Dr. Phyllis Clemens of Eastern Michigan University will involve selected students, who might face certain risks as they mature in the local school sys-

Various student role models ior.

Various student role models from Romulus High School also will be involved in the program. - Lt. James Rafalski

from Romulus High School also will be involved in the program, Rafalski said.

Some of risks listed for participating students would include: family poverty, availability of drugs, family conflicts, academic failure, low esteem and peers who are engaged in delinquent behav-

Other summer plans for those in the mentoring program will include trips to: a Detroit Lions training camp, a Detroit Tiger baseball game, Henry Ford Museum/ Greenfield Museum, Real Life Day Camp Farm, the Yankee Museum and the Northville Theatre (for a play produc-

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# Seniors on the move





# **Law Day**

Wayne senior citizens turned out enmasse recently to watch Law Day procedures in the local district court. Some (in bottom photo) also took part in a local jury decision. MCN Special Photo

# Senior citizens warned about deer crashes

MCN Staff Writer

Deer-vehicle crashes are not diminishing in Michigan, the Office of Highway Safety Planning reminds local senior citizens.

Seniors - because of their slower response time - should remain vigilant at all times of the year - even though many such crashes occur in the autumm months, the state police

Four people were killed as a result of deer-vehicle crashes in 1998, it is reported, and another 2,381 were hurt. Thus the Michigan Deer

Crash Coalition has been working for more than three years to make motorists aware of the deer menace.

Although a significant decrease in the number of crashes has not occurred, State Police relate, the previous nine-year trend of increases in such accidents has been halted for a second year in a row.

"With more than one out of six Michigan vehicle crashes involving deer, motorists must anticipate the sudden appearance of deer on our highways," said Jerry Basch, chairman of the Michigan Deer Crash Co-

# **Downriver Senior Olympics** slated in Flat Rock...

MCN Staff Writer

Sign ups for the 1999 Downriver Senior Olympics is June 30, Romulus Senior Citizen Center Director Linda Norman announced today.

The olympic activities will take place this year in the city of Flat Rock, Norman advises.

To register or receive more information on activities that take part during the olympics, call Norman at 942-6852.

A Father's Day luncheon including a Sloppy Joe feast will take place at the Romulus Senior Center on Bibbins at 1 p.m. June 11. The cost is \$4.50.

A sign up sheet is now at the

Romulus Senior Citizens and various Middle School students will jointly visit the state in Lansing on June 28.

The group will leave at 8:30 a.m. for a visit to the capitol building and the state mu-

A boxed lunch will be served for \$5.25 each.

Romulus seniors will leave at 8:30 a.m. June 23 for a fishing trip to Dexter's Trout Farm. The cost is \$12.50 per person. For more information call 942-6852.



# Older/wiser driver forum slated

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

A forum to help motorists keep driving safely regardless of their age is being offered by the AAA Michigan at 2:30 p.m. June 14 at the Auto Club's Grosse Pointe Woods branch.

"Driving issues pertinent to the maturing driver, such as visual acuity, physical limita-tions and things that can be done to offset these limitations will be addressed," AAA Michigan branch manager Sue Mac-Donald said. Older drivers are more at

risk of having a collision than any other age group, she said, with the exception of drivers 25 and younger.

Repeat fender benders, getting honked at constantly and getting lost on familiar routes

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are signs of deteriorating drivers, MacDonald advised.

According to research, people's eyes at 60 need three times as much light as they did when they were 20. Their peripheral visions, their pupil's ability to contract and depth perception have decreased.

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are ways to accomodate this, as well as using mirrors more to compensate for Ithe peripheral vision.

Next to alcohol, prescribed medications are responsible for many crashes, she said.

People taking medication should discuss side-effects with their doctor.

Check out our Wheels & Deals section this week.

taking a new medication, people should avoid driving because their bodies need a

chance to adjust to the new

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the road, MacDonald said.

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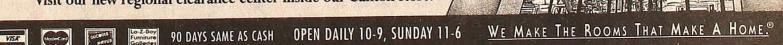
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# Local man gives food to less fortunate

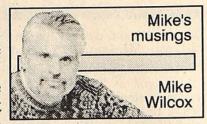
One of my heroes is Percy Ross. The self-made millionaire philanthropist from Minnesota has given away millions of dollars to people in need (see his column below). He has given away so much money, he confided to me a year ago, that he fears his fortune will be totally diminished within a couple of years unless he finds some way to subsidize his giving activities.

But Percy is a well-known public figure. He has appeared on television countless times. His philanthropy has bestowed dozens of accolades upon Ross. I'd like to introduce you to a Westland guy whò in his own way has done just as much as Ross. His name is Jack Evans.

I was introduced to Evans last week. He was in the midst of his everyday routine, which is delivering food to nursing homes, churches and less fortunate families. That's right. Every day. Many of us feel good when we collect a few perishables around the holidays. Evans collects food and then delivers it every day of the week.

His sources are many. Grocery stores, bakeries-even Gleaners, the nonprofit food warehouse. One pizza place, a Westland Pizza Hut, prepares several pizzas once a week for Evans who dutifully delivers them to a senior citizen bowling league. If there is food available, chances are Evans

knows it, about and more importantly, he has the ability to get it in the



hands of people who can really use it. Evans estimates he has delivered over a \$1,000,000 in food over the past several years. I find this to be an incredible amount for one individual, working out of a car. I get excited when this newspaper manages to assemble and deliver \$50,000 in food, toys and clothes during our Christmas Wish drive each Christmas. I

can't imagine handling \$100,000 worth, let alone \$1,000,000.

And how does Evans vacation? He volunteers, usually distributing food, to areas hit hard by natural disasters. If there is a tornado or hurricane or flood in the United States, chances are Evans is there helping out as best as he can.

Here's a guy that really deserves our praise. He doesn't have gobs of money or a fancy house. By delivering food day after day to less fortunate families, he has proven one person can make a difference in this world infested by greed. He has given his life, much like Ross, to others less fortunate. Jack Evans is truly a local hero.



Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both. His motto: " He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes.

### When Lives are Thrown into the Eye of a Tornado

Dear Percy: For years my life was consumed by addiction. Started out innocent enough, a little alcohol and marijuana. Most high-school kids experiment. This continued through college. I added a little speed and LSD, no real extreme use, though. I married and divorced in my 20s. We were too young and thank goodness had no children.

My 30s were my career building days. Somehow I completed law school and passed the bar. By my 40s I had a real problem, namely with cocaine. Things were becoming unglued in my relationships and finally in my law practice.

Through the care and concern of family, they did an intervention and I was placed in a chemical dependency center. This would start the long road back to

I've been clean now for 2 years. My life, along with an enormous debt load, has been anything but a walk in the park. I keep chipping away one day at a time. I'm not asking for your help with my debts. I made 'em, I'll pay 'em. What I'm seeking help with is print costs for T-shirts. I lead a teen group for drug awareness. My goal is to educate teens on the early pitfalls which may lead to addiction. Hey, if it can happen to a nice kid from the 'burbs, it can happen to anyone.

T-shirts are walking bulletin boards and help unify a group. I'm seeking a one time donation of \$600 for my cause. It would be worth it if it saves one teen from the life I've lead. That's powerful stuff, Percy.

Mr. C. T. ... Thirfty Nickel, Indianapolis, IN

Dear Mr. T.: Addiction is powerful stuff. It throws one person into the eye of a tornado and pulls everyone else along. And with the aftermath of a tornado, comes the piecing together of one's shattered, fragmented life from all the destruc-

If you can spare another individual this heartache then \$600 is peanuts. All the best to you as

you continue your own recovery.



Dear Mr. Ross: My husband keeps telling me I'm nosey and it's none of my business, but I say somebody has to make it their business. My next door neighbor has 6 children and just recently has allowed 3 more to move in. That's 9 kids! Where are they going to put them all?

OK-so maybe it isn't my business, but when I saw them haul out the refrigerator to the garbage yesterday, I had to comment on how nice it will be to get a new one. Wrong! There is no replacement coming. The old one gave up the ghost and they have to make room for the "ice chest." Now you can't raise 9 kids without a refrigerator! Somebody has to do something, so I approached my neighbor about what she

told me, "The Lord will provide for our needs." She must have some pretty strong faith if she thinks God is going to send her a new refrigerator, just for the asking. Blind faith is what I call it-so blind she can't see what a fool she is making of herself. I'm torn between seeing her eat her words and seeing that those kids are provided for. Frankly, after writing this letter, I wash my hands of the whole ordeal.

intended to do. Do you know what she told me? She

Mrs. F. A. ... The Telegram, Columbus, NE

Dear Mrs. A.: There are two sides to every story. Upon contacting your neighbor, I learned the reasons for taking in the additional 3 children and also what happened to the old refrigerator.

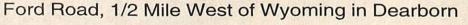
Yes, she claims strong religious ties, but she certainly didn't expect the Lord to personally navigate a new refrigerator to her kitchen. Imagine her delight when I told her a new one was on the way. She also thanked you for your concern. Tongue in cheek, she said for once your nosiness paid off.

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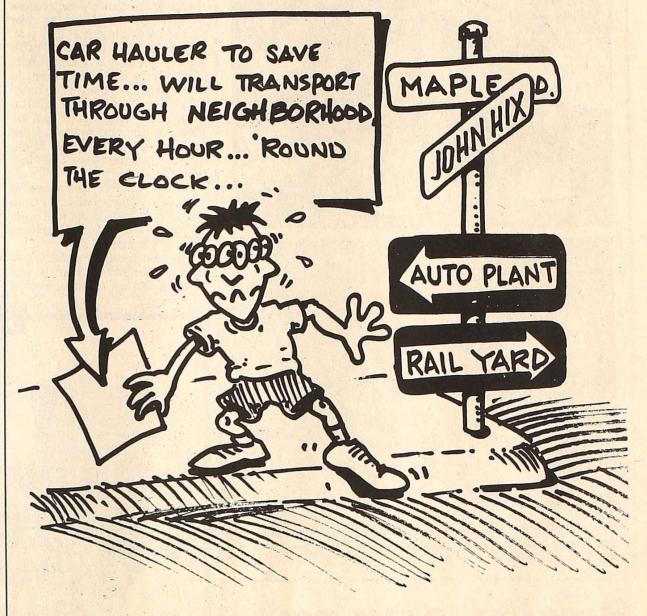




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# Time to test board's integrity

"Hoisted with his own petard" is a phrase that applies to a person who is caught in their own trap or lie.

It comes to mind as I listen to Plymouth-Canton school board members and administrators explain away their refusal to listen to consider alternatives to their plan to bust up the high school campus to build a bare-bones high school on a Hail Mary budget.

Instead of addressing the arguments against the financial proposal, critics of the proposal - most of the district's high school teachers and students can easily demonstrate the financial recklessness of trying to operate three separate schools and new intraday bus routes on the district's relatively small operating budget - pretend that a separate school must be built because of an ironclad guarantee to voters before the construction bond was passed by a plurality.

"I put my name on a letter to the editor that said the high school will be built at Joy and Beck," Board Secretary Carrie Blamer recently said.

"My commitment is very deep," said Board President Mike Maloney. "I told people what we would do. I met with 15 groups, had conversations at the board meetings, and we printed

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where the location would

The school administration has provided the press with copies of the district's intention to build the school at Joy and Beck.

Besides the obvious point that the ballot issue failed to garner a majority of the voters so there is no commitment and that the purported commitment never specified where in relation to Joy and Beck the high school would be built, the board members' integrity has nothing to do with it.

Integrity is just a trap or a lie to deflect criticism because the integrity disappears when you press board members on whether they will honor their "commitment" if the property at the corner of Joy and Beck turns out to be a poor building site.

If the site, which appears low, turns out to contain regulated wetlands or mushy wetlands soils that will not support a foundation without a sump pump or without a coat of anti-fungul paint, will the board members have enough integrity

to refund taxpayers' mon-

"The deal is going ahead because I assume success," said Maloney. But taxpayers can't as-

sume the same integrity they would expect in a private land deal. If a property buyer buys a

specific parcel contingent on site plan approval, then the purchaser is entitled to receive a site capable of permitting building.

If a site plan can't be approved on the site, then the deposit is returned to the buyer.

That's integrity.

Since board members are insisting that voters were promised a high school on the corner of Joy and Beck, then they must demonstrate their integrity by promising to refund tax payers' money if they can't deliver on their promise. If they have integrity, their promises do not depend on shifting sands, literal or figurative.

Since soil samples have been ordered, we'll soon know if the site is OK.

Meanwhile, board members should drop the integrity ruse and put together an affordable, realistic plan that will neither break the district's piggy bank nor limit the classes that students can take in the future.



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# Letters From Our Readers

### Rep. Patterson ignored citizens at global warming hearing

To the Editor:

State Representative Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) left citizen participation as road kill at a Lansing legislative hearing May 20.

I am writing to express my outrage at the way in which citizens were treated at the Michigan House Committee on Conservation and Recreation during a hearing on a resolution opposing a treaty to curb global warming. Mounting scientific evidence and consensus indicate that the pollution of the atmosphere with global warming gases, such as carbon dioxide, threatens the quality of life for us and our children. I was there to testify on behalf of the religious community which has come together in the Michigan Interfaith Global Warming Campaign out of concern for what we are doing to God's Creation.

After a representative of the petroleum industry was given more than 10 minutes to testify in support of the resolution, the chair of the committee, Rep. DeVuyst, refused to give concerned citizens a chance to explain their opposition to it. But he permitted more than 45 minutes of the committee's time that day to be taken up by a bill to create a license plate to clean up road kill.

Rep. DeVuyst's lack of courtesy to citizens is appalling. He permitted only two testimonies in favor of his resolution, and then muzzled the others who registered to speak. It telegraphs his closed mind on an issue that can radically affect the health of our children and grandchildren. It dramatically illustrates that he does not want citizen participation when it runs counter to his position. Representative Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) voted in favor of the resolution and didn't intercede on behalf of the right of citizens to be heard on this critical issue.

Citizen participation, debate a vital issue of our day? Representative Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) left them as road kill in Lansing.

Rev. Steven Johns-Boehme, Executive Director

Michigan Ecumenical Forum

### It's time to replace SAT with more accurate test

To the Editor:

The Wall Street Journal reported yesterday that a proposed federal guide on the use of standardized tests is likely to increase the legal risks to colleges that use popular tests like the SAT in admissions. Under the proposed guidelines, colleges could poten-

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tially be ravaged by lawsuits over the racial and gender score disparities that exist in many of the standardized tests used by their college admissions personnel. In particular, the SAT has been under considerable assault for these very same issues. ETS, the writers of the SAT and its volunteer sibling, the PSAT, even went so far as to change the very make-up of the PSAT to counter these criticisms. Now, the main clients of the SAT university admissions' departments - are supposedly going to face the legal consequences that accompany the use of a

flawed instrument. It is time to shift the focus of this debate. For years, we have torn out our proverbial hair debating the myriad of problems that accompany the SAT. It is time for us to abandon this activity. Yes, the SAT is flawed. Yes, the SAT is overused. Yes, the SAT discriminates against women ... and people of color...and poor kids from all of the hues in the rainbow. This does not solve our problem. If we are not going to use the SAT anymore, we need to engage in constructive discussion about what we are going to use. It is time for everyone to abandon the argument, "We have to use the SAT because it is the only tool in the shed."

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makes its corporate living preparing kids for the SAT, so it may seem surprising that we would campaign so vigilantly to destroy the test. But the simple fact is that we don't like the SAT or what it does to kids. For fifteen years, we've told anyone who would listen that the SAT belongs on the trashheap. Now, everybody seems to be offended that the government is pointing out that the garbage is starting to smell.

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The SAT is supposed to predict college grades, but there is no evidence that it does so for minorities or women. It is almost entirely inconsistent with the normal high school curriculum, and does not test aptitude, knowledge, integrity, curiosity, loyalty or effort. Finally, students who can afford the ever-increasing fees of the private preparation programs have a significant advantage over those who do not have the same means. The State of California has finally recognized the extent of this problem and is committed to funding approximately \$75 million in test preparation services for underprivileged students over the next five years.

Some argue that eliminating the SAT is tantamount to dummying down the admissions process - that it will result in the selection of less qualified students in lieu of those who have truly earned the right to be admitted.

But the SAT doesn't clarify the search for the most qualified students - it just clouds the process. Women average 42 points lower than men on the SAT. But women take more academic courses then do men in high school and receive higher grades in every subject except for math, in which their average GPA is virtually identical to that of their male counterparts. The SAT doesn't help colleges admit students based on merit. In fact, the surest way to dummy down the admissions process would be to keep this test in place.

Admissions officers need the right tools to select a class full of talented, motivated, interesting students. One of the tools that they are entitled to is some kind of fair, accurate, national measurement.

Instead of compounding the SAT's negative impact on American education by opening colleges to potential liability, why not begin the search for a better tool for these same colleges? The time has finally come to move past the debate about the value of this test. Let's start the debate about what should replace it.

Amy M. Conway - Welliver Executive Director

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### Marlboro man lives in Van Buren

To the Editor:

The Marlboro Man is alive and well. He lives near me in Van Buren Township. I never actually see him, but I know it is he because I see evidence of his being here every time I take my evening walk. He leaves empty Marlboro and Marlboro Light packs, and assorted other trash all along my route. The pungent odor of horse manure, from his horse, mixes with the heavy fragnance of lilacs as I walk the roadsides of my hometown.

He smokes Marlboro cigarettes, almost exclusively; sometimes though I believe his friend Joe slips him a pack or two of Camels. His wife smokes too. Her brand of choice seems to be Virginia Slims, with an occasional Newport. When they tire of cigarettes, White Owl Cigars appear to be their smoke of choice.

As they ride along on their horses, they drink Bud Light beer with a Miller Light thrown in from time to time. There is one large hickory tree where they like to stop, smoke their White Owls, and drink

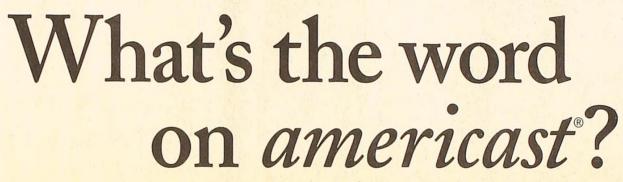
Riding along the side of the road, they eat fast food. McDonald's is by far their favorite. Running a distant second is Burger King. I guess that they get tired of those two sometimes, and when they do, they go to Wendy's, or Taco Bell for a change. One time I believe they even went to Arby's. For soft ice cream, they prefer Dairy Queen.

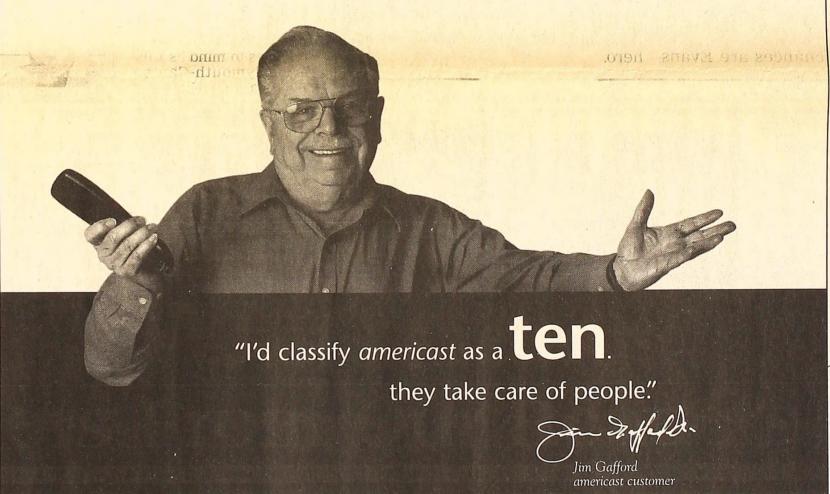
There is something that puzzles me though. Where, and how, and why, do you check or add motor oil to a horse? Do you do it as they move along, or do you stop and do it as they graze grass? I see plastic motor oil bottles all along the road. Maybe they use it as a lubricant for their saddles?

The Marlboro Man and his wife endeavor to stay healthy; although there are signs that they may not be as healthy as they would like to be, the cigarettes they smoke are low in tar and nicotine. They almost never drink anything but light beer, and we all know you don't inhale as you smoke a cigar. Their cholesterol is probably quite high. All those fast food burgers and fries loaded with fat can't be good for them.

The way I see things this couple must be fairly well off. They can afford to smoke brand name cigarettes, cigars,

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### Clinton's administration adept at deceit about security

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The Chinese were experts in stealth 2000 years ago, and they are reported to have been very successful in recent months getting their hooks on nuclear secrets including data on nuclear weapons technology, long-range missle reliability, electronic warfare, and submarine nuclear propulsion. How much the Clinton

administration gave the Chinese and how much was purloined has yet to be determined.

Whatever and however, it is most discouraging that Clinton has claimed he moved quickly and decisively when he learned of security breaches. Why, then, did it take 1 1/2 years for the Energy Department to act on the FBI's recommendation to reinstate background checks for any and all with any connection to the Los Alamos venue? The administration has proved as adept at cover-up and deciet as the Chinese have at theft.

Clinton and fellow hacks want to treat the stealth of the Chinese at Los Alamos as a policitical affair rather than a threat to our security. Can Clinton remain in office and our Country escape Chinese terrorism and future Armageddon?

Regards, Neil Goodbred

### Open Letter

Dear Fellow Chamber Mem-

I want to take this opportunity to say Thank You for giving me the Leona Van Buhler Award, I was taken back the evening of the Chamber Annual Dinner when the award was presented. Now that I have been able to reflect on this prestigious award, I am very appreciative that your thought of me in that way. I am very thankful for having such good chamber members and friends. This award has meant a lot to me and I will cherish it for the rest of my life. Leona Van Buhler is a special person who really helped the Chamber in the office and out of the office. Thanks again one and all for thinking of me in this manner and I will try to live up to its meaning.

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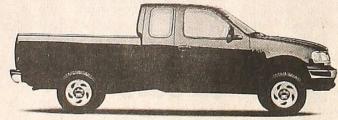
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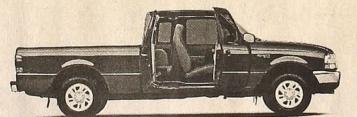
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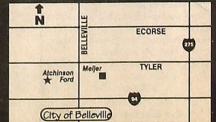
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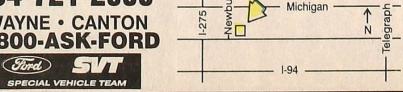
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# Beginning of the end for prep baseball

# District playoffs Saturday

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

With two major exceptions,

the beginning of the end of the 1999 high school baseball season locally will occur on Satur-

The exceptions are Westland John Glenn and Romulus, which have pre-district qualifiers to contend with and must win in order to advance to the district playoffs.

The rest of the local field drew first-round byes and will be represented in the final '4' of the district playoffs.

Coach Todd Duffield and the Rockets were to meet predistrict favorite, Garden City, at Oxford High School, and the winner was to advance to the Oxford district playoffs scheduled for Saturday, June 5.

The road for Romulus to Riverview for a Class B district playoff berth went through Dearborn Heights Annapolis. Annapolis and Romulus were to meet to decide which team would join New Boston Huron, and Allen Park at the Riverview tournament.

Riverview, which won the Huron Conference title, is favorite to take the districts.

"We split with Annapolis during the season," noted Romulus coach Keith Brothers. "Our kids are eager for the rematch, and we need to win to keep our seasons alive.

Plymouth-Salem and natural rivals, Plymouth-Canton, were fortunate to draw firstround byes, but the Rocks and the Chiefs, thanks to the luck of the draw, will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday at Salem to see which team will reach the championship round slated for later that day at Canton.

In the pre-district, it was Livonia Stevenson vs. Farmington, and the winner of that game is scheduled to play the 10:30 a.m. game at Canton against North Farmington on Saturday.

North, one of the powers in the Western Lakes Conference, is the one coaches are picking to advance to the regionals.

On Saturday, at a Class A district that Belleville High will host, Ann Arbor Pioneer

and Ypsilanti have the 10 a.m. game, while Belleville hosts Ann Arbor Huron for the 10:30 a.m. contest.

The championship at Belleville will be decided at 3

Dearborn Heights Robichaud will drive to the shopping mecca of Birch Run and faces Westland Lutheran West in its first test of the Class B district playoffs. Others assigned to that district are Clarenceville and Redford Bishop Borgess.

# Romulus runners capture Mega-Blue track title

# Fordson crushes Eagles' dream

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

It just wasn't in the books for first-year baseball coach Keith Brothers and the Romulus Eagles.

Fordson exploded for two home runs that opened the gate to five runs in the fifth inning off of senior hurler Derek Plave and handed the Eagles an 8-2 setback in their showdown for the Mega Conference, Gold Division champi-

The Eagles, who finished 9-3 in the division, needed the victory to force Fordson, 11-1, to share the title.

"It was a heart-breaking loss for us," said Brothers, whose team brought the curtains down to the regular with a 13-13 record. "That one inning really hurt us."

Plave who was working on a four-hitter at the time gave up two homers in the fifth, one a two-run blast by Dave Arsenault, and a three-run round tripper by Tom Spelski that was the beginning of the end for the Eagles.

Plave, who will be playing ball in Europe this summer. fanned seven and walked one. The senior righthander's personal record is 6-5 on the year.

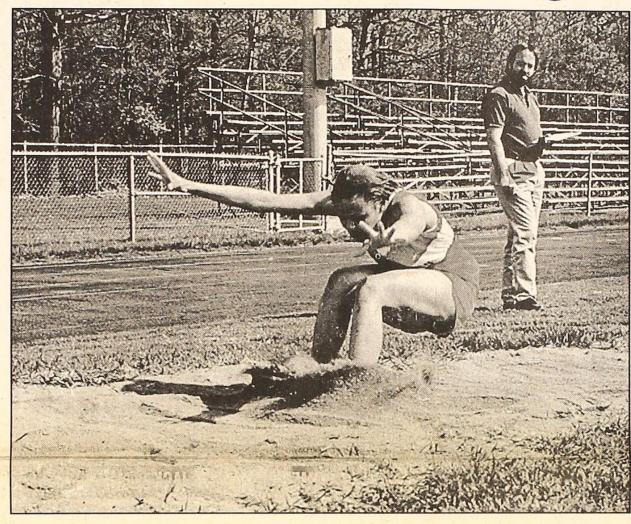
Fordson's Anthony Paris, who went the distance, was tagged for seven hits, struck out six and walked one. Paris fell behind, 1-0, in the second when Phillip Kufel led off the inning and drilled a triple. He later scored on Alex Hance's fly ball to the outfield, which the outfielder dropped.

The Tractors came back for three run in their third, and took the lead for good in that inning.

Romulus got its final run of the 1999 regular season in the top of the seventh when Hance doubled off of the center field fence, moved to third when Paris balked and scored on Bill Chapman's fielder's choice.

Romulus and Dearborn

See DREAM, page B-2



Two gold-winning performances at the conference championships by Nicolette Jarrett helped Westland John Glenn finish in the first division of the Western Lakes Track & Field Conference. Jarrett soared 18 feet to win a gold in the long jump competition and she also helped Glenn win the 400-meter relay and won

# Salem surfaces as WLAA conference track champ

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

The anticipated showdown in track between undefeated Lakes Division champ, Plymouth-Salem, and Western Division champ, Walled Lake Western, ended in a victory for Salem.

Salem used its superiority in depth and outstanding performances by its relay teams, a double gold-medal effort by Tiffany Grubaugh and its overall depth to capture the 1999 WLAA Girls Track & Field Conference Championship.

Grubaugh and Westland John Glenn's Nicollette Jarrett turned in double gold medalwinning performances.

Though Western finished with an impeccable 5-0 dual meet record in its division, it finished third to Livonia Stevenson at the conference meet and was forced to settle for

third place in the conference. Salem was declared the

Chandler cleared 5 feet, 5 inches to win the conference title in the high jump event.

conference champ as the Rocks rolled to 140.5 team points at the conference championship hosted by its natural rival, Canton. Stevenson finished more than 30-points behind the champs. The Spartans had 108 points.

Following the two conference leaders, in order, were: Walled Lake Western (74.5), John Glenn (69), Walled Lake Central (65), Livonia Churchill (60), Plymouth-Canton (50), North Farmington (33), Northville (27), Farmington (15), Livonia Franklin (12) and Farmington Harrison (8).

Grubaugh had an outstanding day in the field events.

She won the conference title in the shot put with a put of 39 feet, 10 inches, and made it a two gold-medal day with the best toss in the field for the discus. She won that title with a toss of 137 feet, 11 inches.

Jarrett and Chandler, along with the Rockets' 800 and 400meter relays team, represented Westland on the winner's dais.

Jarrett set a new record when she leaped 18 feet, 01 inch for a gold in the long jump, and her 1:01 for the 400meter dash set the standard in that event.

Chandler cleared 5 feet, 5 inches to win the conference title in the high jump event.

Although both Glenn and Salem posted a 51.5 in the 400meter relay event, the Westlanders were awarded the gold, while the Rocks were forced to settle for the silver in one of the most exciting races

See SALEM, page B-2

# Eagles face last test at Class B state final

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Romulus continued to rewrite track & field history with a stunning victory at the Mega Conference - Mega Blue Division championships staged Tuesday under adverse weather conditions at Taylor Kennedy High School.

As they did at the Class B regional meet the previous week, coach Norb Glover's Eagles captured an unprecedented all four first places in the relays, claiming firsts in the 400, 800, 1,600 and 3,200meter relays. No team has ever managed that achievement in the past.

The weather was horrible," said Glover afterwards. But our kids got the job done. Believe me, it was an emotional as well as great victory for us. There are some excellent teams in the Mega-Blue."

In their second consecutive conference victory, the Eagles amassed 179 points, 60 more than runners-up Southgate Anderson. Lincoln Park was a distance third.

In the sweep of the relays, Glover put together a team made up of Alex Abdo, Ashley Terry, Calib Beasley and Charles Searcy to win the 3,200- meter relay. The winning time was 8:30.0.

Then, in the 800-meter relay, the Romulus coach went with Derrick Radford, Terry, MicRomulus cashed in on the efforts of Charles Searcy, Jarvis Jordan, Kevin Thomas and Terry to win the 1,600meter relay.

hael Woods and David Jones who turned in a 1:35 for their gold.

With Fred Harper leading off the 400-meter relay, the Eagles received a substantial lead in the first leg that Eddie Woods, David Jones and Derrick Radford managed to protect to the end. Their winning time was 44.6.

Romulus cashed in on the efforts of Charles Searcy, Jarvis Jordan, Kevin Thomas and Terry to win the 1,600meter relay. The unofficial winning time was 3:40.

Multi-talented Carleton Mc-Cauley, who also starred for the Eagles on the gridiron last fall, won a gold medal in the 110-meter hurdles. He crossed the finish line in 15.6

Terry picked up a gold for his effort in the 800-meter as he edged teammate Beasley at the wire. Terry's winning time was 2:01, while Beasley turned in a 2:03.

In the high jump talented Kevin Thomas, an All-Area

See REPEAT, page B-2

# Graham crowned 400-meter champ

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

There was one bright spot in Robichaud's last-place team finish at the 1999 running of the Mega Conference, Red Division Track & Field Championships, and that was the overall performance by senior Aretha Graham.

Graham was crowned the conference's 400-meter champ as she led her opponents across the finish line in the winning time of 1:00.14. She also came away from Dearborn High, the host for the championship, with two other

Graham was crowned the conference's 400meter champ.

Graham finished third in the long jump. She won the bronze with a 16 feet, 3 inch leap, and she also finished third in the hurdles, with a 15.7.

The only other member of coach Francis McCauley's team who placed in the top six

See GRAHAM, page A-3

# Glenn names Kionka, Domke award winners

Two outstanding and ver- Irma Kionka, a longtime coach satile scholar-athletes were named the recipients of the Irma Kionka and Don Domke scholarships.

The scholarships were awarded to Sharron Ryan, who lettered in track and cross country and to David Teets, a standout in cross country, track and wrestling.

We are very proud of these fine young athletes," said Jerry Szukaitis, Glenn athletic director, in making the announcement. "Both students excel not only in sports but also in the classroom.'

The scholarships are dedicated to the life and memory of and athletic director, and Don Domke, also a longtime football coach and athletic director at Wayne Memorial and Westland John Glenn. Kionka was a lifelong sup-

porter of young women in sports and a retired teacher from the Wayne-Westland schools. Domke was a coach, athletic

director and teacher at both schools. He left a legacy of promoting educational athletics. The scholarships also are

continuing awards to assist Wayne-Westland girls and boys in their quest to be the very best they can be.

# **Wayne wastes Teasdale 3-run**

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Problem-plagued Wayne Memorial had undefeated and state-ranked Redford Union sweating in their Mega Conference, White Division final meeting in the division of the 1999 campaign.

But R. U. got off the diamond and handed coach Jim Chronowski's Zebras a 6-3 setback to finish the division with an impeccable 11-0 record and the 1999 championship.

Wayne wasted Scott Teasdale's three-run home run that stunned R. U. and winning pitcher Sean O'Conner. The ball sailed more than 350 feet and put Wayne into the game.

"I felt we played an excellent game against a stateranked club," said Chronowski later. "And our pitcher deserved better than he received. The defense committed three costly errors and scored a pair of runs on a play that had double-play ball written all over it.

"And Teasdale was exceptional in this game."

Along with his three-run blast, Teasdale also doubled and scored once for Wayne. Teammate John Judd chipped in with a pair of singles.



Nicollette Jarrett (above) has left her print in the record books at Westland John Glenn over the past three years. She not only picked up gold medals last week at the conference championships for her outstanding performances in the long jump and the 400-meters, she also set records en route to her victories. She will lead the local contingent to the Class A state finals scheduled to be held this weekend. Photo by Carol Shough

Game

of the day.

high hurdles.

# District baseball pairings Globetrotters to hold camp

Here are the first-round pairings for the 1999 Class A and Class B district playoffs involving local teams:

At Oxford Saturday, June 5 9:45 a.m. Wayne Memorial

vs. Livonia Churchill 11:30 a.m. Livonia Franklin vs. Winner of John Glenn-Garden City pre-district game. 1:30 p.m. Championship

Salem

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Latasha Chandler also gave

In the 800-meter relay,

Glenn and Salem again found

themselves battling right to

the wire where the Rockets

basketball player, came up

with his best performance of

the season in the high jump

where he successfully cleared

In an another unprece-

dented performance by five of

the Eagles' long jumpers, Ro-

mulus swept five of the six

places in the finals for the

Repeat

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6 feet, 6 to win the gold.

event.

the Rockets 10 points when she

finished first in the 100-meter

At Belleville Saturday, June 5

10:00 a.m. Ann Arbor Pi-1:00 p.m. Championship at Plymouth-Salem oneer vs. Ypsilanti 12:30 p.m. Belleville vs. Ann

Arbor Huron 3:00 p.m. Championship Game

> At Plymouth-Canton Saturday, June 5

10:30 a.m. Plymouth-Canton at Plymouth-Salem 10:30 a.m. North Farmington vs. Winner Steven vs. Farm-

were given the edge. Glenn's

winning time was 1:47.9. Salem

got the silver for its 1:48.1 ef-

tance runner, Andrea Parker,

led Churchill's Ashley Fillion

and Spartan Kim McNeilance

to the wire in the 1,600-meter

5:23.0 for the victory. Fillion's

second- best time was posted

at 5:37.7 while McNeilance

David Jones' 20 feet, 11

inches leap gave him the gold.

Finishing, in order, were Mc-

Cauley, who got the silver

(20'2"); followed by bronze-

medalist Joey Wasson (19'11"),

Chris Talley (19'2") was fourth,

troops and prepare for the fi-

nal test of the 1999 campaign

which will be administrated

on Saturday at Bay City West-

ern where the 1999 Class B

state championships will be

Glover will regroup his

and Robert Boykins (19'7").

Parker covered the 1,600 in

Stevenson's outstanding dis-

Riverview

toured the course in 5:38.1.

the grueling 3200 in 12:04.

Salem, (4:15) for the gold.

napolis game

Saturday, June 5

12:30 p.m. Allen Park vs.

Class B

at Riverview

10 a.m. New Boston Huron

vs. Winner of Romulus - An-

ington game at Plymouth-

Canton

3 p.m. Championship Game

Fillion came back and won

Plymouth-Canton's four-

Salem also received a gold-

medal performance from

sprinter Rachel Jones, who

turned in a 26.7 in winning the

200-meter dash, while Lindsey

Janisse, of Walled Lake West-

ern, was the top half-miler this

some won the 1,600 relay (4:14),

beating arch- opponents,

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been a fixture with the

Globtrotters for the past six

Hardy, an All-State, All-

basketball camps.

years.

area the opportunity to

In the 300-meter low hur-

Churchill came away with the gold in the pole vault competition as Kari Cezat successfully negotiated 9 feet, 03

dlers, Canton's Crystal Alderman was crowned the champ (48.4), but she lost her bid for a double when Latasha Chandler beat her to the wire

inches.

year. She ran a 2:20 for the 800meter.

in the 100-meter high hurdles.

# Dream

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Heights Annapolis were scheduled to play in a Pre-District game on Tuesday. The winner will advance to the Class B district playoffs hosted by Riverview on Saturday.

In the first game, scheduled for 10 a.m. New Boston Huron plays the winner of the Romulus-Annapolis game, and in the second game, Allen Park

The championship will be decided at 3 p.m.

clashes with Riverview. The championship will be

decided at 3 p.m. The district champ will advance to the regional tourna-

ment hosted by Carleton Airport.

# Last call

# Hoop teams invited to tourney

This is the last call for local and area junior basketball teams that want to compete in a summer tournament.

The North American Youth Sports Association will be staging its annual national tournament in the Detroit area, July 21-25, at 10 different locations, and officials stress that there is still time to regis-

The tournament is open to teams in several age group categories, from the fifth through 12th grades. Teams will be

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NAYS officials said they

The tournament is open to teams in several age group categories.

have established 10 age-group brackets for boys and girls. They are as follows: 5th-6th grade boys; 5th-6th grade girls; 7th grade boys and girls; 8th competing against their peers. grade boys and girls; 9th-10th grade girls; 11th-12 grade boys;

12th grade girls.

Incidentally, the grade level is considered the grade the player is enrolled in for the 1998-99 school year.

There is a \$525 per team entry fee. The fee will guarantee each team a minimum of nine games.

The registration deadline is

All inquiries for more information may be made by telephone. The phone number is

# Graham

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was Maycona Booker, who reached the finals in the shot put. Booker had a put of 29 feet, 8 inches.

McCauley said that his team must now prepare for the state finals, scheduled for Saturday

"I felt that Aretha did well in the conference where we do have some excellent athletes," McCauley said. "But Saturday's the day when you have to give it your all. It's the day we have all been focusing on."

# Tigers to conduct baseball camp at EMU

1994 If you have plans to play professional baseball some day maybe you should take a look into the Detroit Tigers' camp that they are hosting on Sunday.

The Tigers are inviting local 62,000 miles, red. and area ball players, ages 17 to 25, to their tryout camp scheduled for June 6 at Oestrike Stadium on the campus of Eastern Michigan 93 Jeep University in Ypsilanti. **Grand Cherokee** Limit

Registration for the camp is at 8:30 a.m., with the tryouts be-

> Don't forget to look for your horoscope predictions in the Sunday Eyewitness

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ginning at 9 a.m. Participants must bring their own glove and shoes, but all other equipment will be provided.

For more information, contact the Tigers' Baseball Operations Department at 313-962-4000.

sharpen their basketball skills and take home memories that will last a lifetime.

Registration is now open for boys and girls between the ages of 6 to 16 for the 1999 Denny's Summer Basketball Camp. The camp will feature the Globetrot-

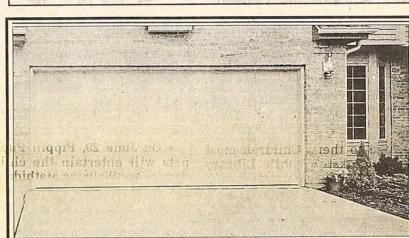
The camps will be conducted from June 14-18 at the University fog Michigan-Dearborn campus.

For \$185, and regardless of skill level, kids can attend one of two sessions: 9 a.m. until noon; or 1 to 4 p.m. Globetrotters and the coaching staff will instruct camp activities, with an emphasis on basketball skill instruction, leadership development, training, conditioning, academic and athletic issues.

Camp attendees will have an opportunity to interact with the Globetrotters throughout the week, while vying for special awards in hustle, citizenship, and basketball-related skills.

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### **Hall of Fame**

On hand for the installation into the Southwest Block Club's Hall of Fame of Arts & Entertainment was City Manager Robert Gordon (third from right) who congratulates Fred Goree, one of the icons of radio broadcasting, and presents the popular disc jockey with a certificate of recognition. Larry Motley, (above, at right) serves as the executive director of the club and also was the prime motivator behind establishing the "Hall" "so that local and area entertainers - past, present, and in the future - will be recognized for their

# Reading is fun

# Library unveils summer programs

and topping the list of pro- to choose a prize for reading is grams is Summer Reading is Aug. 13.

The program offers prizes, along with improvement of reading skills, stressed Filomena Sgambati, Youth Services Librarian.

"Kids can improve their reading skills this summer and win prizes at the same time," Sgambati said. "It really is an exciting program."

Registration for the Summer Reading Program will begin on June 14. The program is open to children ages 5 through 12.

Children who are unable to read may have their parents read to them. Children must read Inkster Public Library books and come into the library to register by filling out a Reading Record.

At the conclusion of the pro- cian Jim Fitzsimmons will per-

Inkster library officials this gram, there will be a party for week announced their sum-the children on Aug. 3. Library mer schedule and programs, officials said that the last day

> Officials also noted that there will be free weekly entertainment at 2:30 p.m. every Tuesday, beginning June 22 and ending Aug. 3

> There are some of the programs the children can look forward to this summer:

• On June 22, Storyteller and Ministrell Dawn Daniels will present "A World of Story" . the magic, music and wonder of fantasy, folklore and myth from Austria to Zimbabwe.

· On June 29, Pippin Puppets will entertain the children with "Waltzing Mathida".

· On July 13, Master Magi-

form his magic tricks. · On July 20, Carey Ann's Crown Caravan will roll into town and wow the kids with clowns, magic and story tell-

• On July 27, Storyteller Brown Sugar & Spice will present "Jumpin Kangaroos" with stories from Australia.

 On August 3, Geri's Jamboree will provide a musical celebration for the young and young at heart.

The cost of the prizes and free programs are funded by The Friends of the Inkster Public Library.

The library's summer hours Monday through Thursday are from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m., and Friday, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The library is closed on Saturdays and Sundays. For more information please call 313/563-2822.

# Walters celebrates milestone his life

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By THEOLA JONES MCN Special Writer

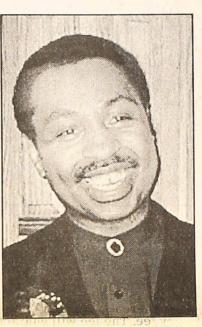
On a recent Sunday evening Talmadge Eugene Walters Jr., of Inkster, celebrated a very important day in his life.

It was Walters' 50th birth-

At a gala gathering at the Kiernan's Steak House in Dearborn, the popular choir director, listened intently, as family members and friends, reflected on the good times shared over the past 10 years.

A tasty meal was enjoyed by the guests and the honoree expressed his gratitude to all in attendance and thanked them.

The Celebration Planning Committee was made up of Delores, Beth, Carolyn, Renee', Kraig, Reginald and Billie Clements; Bianka, Jenoah, Carmen and Anthony Gilkey, Virginia Gilbson, Pamela and Ernest Fitzpatrick, and Letitia Parker.



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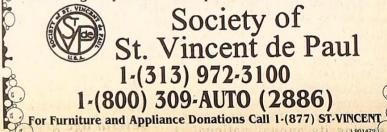
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# Sorors attend conference

Delta, Omega chapter in Inks- Joyce Phillips, basileus. ter, traveled to Detroit re-Regional Conference.

sented locally by Penny Lanita Snead, Lesley Redding, Spencer, Sarah Young, Carolyn Asia Myles, Brittany Dawson, Kimbrough, Ernestine Will- Lanessa Wilson and Tamara iams, Betty Redd, Naomi Thompson.

Members of the Gamma Phi James, Leanna Hicks, and

The Phiteen and Rosebud cently to attend the Northern Youth Groups also were represented at the conference. The sorority was repre- Among those attending were





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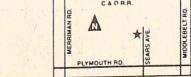
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FAREWELL TO CHUCK LIT-TLE is slated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and school board with the open house set from 4 to 7 p.m. June 10 at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey St. in Plymouth.
WESTERN WAYNE ALANO

CLUB next monthly open talk meeting at 6 p.m. June 4 at 36530 Goddard Road in Romulus. An AA or Al-Anon open to the public talk by Pete and Lynn F. A pot luck will follow. Regular meetings at the club begin at noon Wednesday through Sunday and at 6 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Al Anon meetings are held at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and noon on Thursdays. For more information call 734-299-9436 or 734-699-6552.

FINDING YOUR ROOTS sessions at 7:30 p.m. on June 15 at the ASCC Lecture Room on the Ford Community College campus in Dearborn. Dr. Nancy Nelson will speak on "The Sense of Place and the Writer's Craft": Autobiographical or Fiction" and Judy Muhn will discuss "Digging Up Dead Relatives: Geneology Workshop." For more information on the free lectures call the social science office at 313-845-9625.

TINKHAM ADULT CENTER **GRADUATION** slated for 6:30 p.m. June 11 at the Norman O. Stockmeyer Performing Arts Center at Wayne Memorial High School, 3001 Fourth St. in

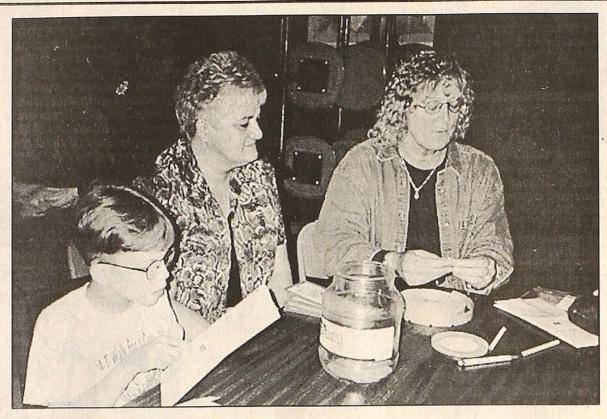
SINGLE MINGLE DANCE is slated from 8 p.m. every Wednesday at the Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph Road south of Eight Mile Road in Redford. Cost is \$4. Hotline is 313-842-0443.

DEARBORN HIGH REUNION for the January and June classes of 1954 (45th reunion). Will be held Aug. 6, 7 and 8, 1999. For reservations for the golf, dinner-dance and breakfast outings) call Helen at 313-565-4816, Sally at 734-464-8263 or Leota at 734-421-1845.

**FINE ART AND CRAFT SHOW** is slated for June 19 and 20 at the Liberty Fest '99 in Heritage Park of Canton Township. There is free admission and parking. For more information call Sharon Dillenbeck at 734-453-3710.

LIFEGUARDS NEEDED American Red Cross is seeking summer lifeguards, water park managers, water safety instructors for its June camps. For more information call 313-576-4101.

ADULT 6 ON 6 SOCCER LEAGUE and others will be held this summer in Plymouth. Registration deadline is June 16 and there will be a minimum of seven games. Fees are





# Walking for a cure

Young A-T disease patient Bradley Bills of Romulus (center top photo) helps put together some packets for volunteer walkers last week at Wick Elementary School. The bottom photo shows the beginnings of the rain-filled walk by more than 140 walkers that resulted in the collection of more than \$11,000 to be used to battle the dreaded disease. MCN Photos by Al Post.

and non-resident fees. Season starts June 28. For more information call Plymouth Recreation Department at 734-455-6620.

DIAC CARE is slated June 25 at Bay Pointe Golf Club in West Bloomfield with a noon shotgun start. Proceeds from the 18-hole scramble will be used to aid cardiac care equipment at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Cost is \$200 per golfer. For more information call 734-655-2121.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS CAR **DONATIONS** program cleans up neighborhoods and aids the Special Olympics program. For more information call 888-777-6680.

LOCKS OF LOVE Donations of pony tails measuring 10 to 12 inches long will be collected from 3 to 6 p.m. June 7 at Maria Cisar Full Service Salon, 35857 Ford Road in Westland. Donors will be given a free hair cuts. The pony tails will be given to the Locks of Love organization that transform the human hair into wigs for young cancer patients. For more informatin call Mandy Long at 734-729-0642.

20TH ANNUAL RUN spon-



Madonna University's 15th Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase that will be held from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 and 7 at the Activities Center. Show will feature pottery, jewelry, paintings and woodworking. For more information call 734-432-5603.

SPOTLIGHT ON HOME-SCHOOLING will be held June 4, 5 and 6 at Van Dyke Park Suite Hotel in Warren. Conference is slated for all those interested in home schooling. Featured speaker will be Pat Montgomery, who has 45 years of alternative schooling experience. For more information call 313-769-4511.

TURTLE TIME will be offered at the Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver Road in Ann Arbor farom 1 to 3 p.m. June 12. Children four and five years old will find out about turtles that explore the Black Pond, visit the Critter Room, play games and make turtle creations to take home. The fee is \$10 per child. Preregistration is necessary by calling 734-662-7802.

BELLEVILLE JAYCEES RUM-MAGE SALE/CAR WASH is slated from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 5 at the Fourth Street Fire Station in Belleville. For more information call 734-697-9863.

AIR MICHIGAN will be held at Willow Run Airport for the 17th year the weekend of June 26-27. Advanced reserve tickets cost \$30, general admission is \$12 for adults and \$8 for children. The U.S. Navy Blue Angels Jet Demonstration Squadron headlines the exciting cast of aerial entertainment. Tickets at the gate will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. For more information call 734-482-8888.

BONE MARROW TRANS-PLANT EDUCATIONAL FORUM is slated from 1 to 5 p.m. June 26 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Rd., Livonia. The forum is free. To register 24 hours a day call 800-546- 5268. Leave your name, phone number and how many people will be attending.

BEATLES VINTAGE PHOTO DISPLAY will be offered from June 4-24 at the Park West Gallery, with a reception at 8 p.m. June 4. The photos were taken by Dezo Hoffman, a professional photographer and personal friend of the Beatles. from 1962 until 1967. A selection of the photos will also be offered for sale.

YPSILANTI HERITAGE FESTI-VAL the 21st annual edition is slated for Aug. 20-22 in historic Ypsilanti. Featured will be a Living History Encampment, a historic homes and garden tour, antique cars and music and entertainment. For more information call 734-327-2051. EMERGENCY SERVICES

MEETING is slated June 17 at the Salvation Army's Adult Rehabilitation Center at Middlebelt and Van Born roads in Romulus. Top law enforcement and emergency services personnel are being invited to attend. For more information call Major Brian Merritt at 734-729-3939.

GRANHOLM TO SPEAK Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm of Dearborn will be the keynote speaker at the 8th annual Women of Achievement Awards Luncheon at the YWCA of Western Wayne County at noon Nov. 5 at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn. Various women will be honored at the luncheon. Tickets cost \$25. For more information call 313-561-4110.

# 3rd waste well hearing slated in Livonia

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Seeking to gain a change in momentum before the Environmental Disposal Systems deepwells become operational in Romulus, State Sen. Raymond Basham (D-Taylor) revealed a third public hearing on the waste well plans will be held at 7 p.m. June 24 in Livonia City Hall.

Two earlier hearings of the House Task Force on Commercial Hazardous Waste Disposal Wells were conducted in Taylor and Detroit.

"What we have heard from

everyday citizens is that they are extremely concerned about the impact such an EDS well would have on their lives," Basham said.

"We are hearing that these citizens in Wayne County - including the city of Detroit - do not want this project anywhere near their drinking water supplies."

Basham added "I am urging the public to write to Gov. John Engler, MDEQ Director Russ Harding and the Detroit Fire and Police Pension Fund to express their opposition to the well and the funding of the project."

REAL SEARCH FOR E.T. is slated between 3 and 4 p.m. June 21 at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., Northville. Science expert Michael Best will discuss what has really been learned about UFO's and life on other planets. For more information call 248-349- 3020.

WEIGHT WATCHERS OPEN HOUSE visit any Weight Watchers location between June 6 and July 3 and receive one half off registration and first meeting fee. For more information call 888-3FLORINE.

CRITTER INVITATIONAL golf outing for the Dearborn Animal Shelter is slated June 19 at the Dearborn Hills Golf Course. Proceeds go to the Dearborn Animal Shelter. Golf package includes 18 holes of golf, curb service, buffet dinner, two hour open bar, prizes and surprises.

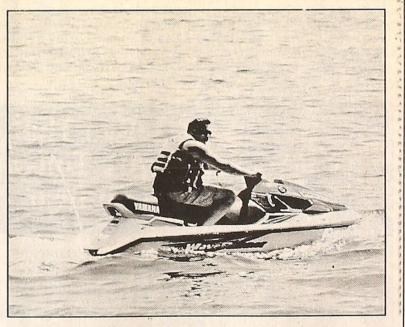
beginning June 6 at St. Paul's through June 20 at Camp Evangelical Lutheran Church, Nahelu in Ortonville.

Ellis and Craig Sts. in New Boston, Sunday services will be held at 9 a.m.

FISH DINNER slated from 4 to 7 p.m. June 11 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ellis and Craig Sts, New Boston. Deep fried and baked fish will be offered, french fries, scalloped potatoes. Tickets cost \$7 for adults, \$4 for children ages 5 to 11. Carryouts are available. For more information call 734-753-9048.

SHERIFF FICANO'S BIRTH-DAY CELEBRATION is slated from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. July 8 at the Italian-American Banquet and Conference Center, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Cost is \$200 per person. Checks should be made out to the Robert A. Ficano Committee. For more information call 734-953-9724.

CYO RETREAT African American Youth Leadership Project and Hispanic Youth Leadership Project is hosting SUMMER SUNDAY SERVICES a retreat starting on June 18



# **Water safety**

While personal watercraft comprise less than 10 percent of all registered watercraft in Michigan, they were involved in 40 percent of the boating accidents last year, AAA Michigan reports. Thus boaters are urged to sign up for a safe-boating class, carry a cellular phone, avoid alcohol and wear a personal flotation device.

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### **Picture perfect**

The McKinley Co-operative Pre-school in Westland celebrated the end of its school year recently with a family style picnic that included numerous fun activities including face painting by Dianna Stano. The young student, Lauren Bryden, 3, found the weather, food and games enough to make her smile most of the day, MCN Special Photo

The Michigan Community Newspapers want to assist you in publicizing your upcoming event.
Carefully fill in the following information form and mail it to the Community Calendar, c/o the
Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Ml. 48184.
You may also fax the item to 313-729-6088. Deadline is the Friday before publication.
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# Entertainment

# MINUTE MOVIE REVIEW

### **NOW SHOWING**

The Love Letter stars Kate Capshaw, Blythe Danner, Ellen Degeneres, Tom Selleck, and Tom Everett Scott. A comdey about a sleepy New England Town and how one mysterious love note has the power to unlock some startling secrets. Rated R.

Tea With Mussolini stars Cher, Judi Dench, Joan Plowright, Maggie Smith, and Lily Tomlin. A coming of age tale of a young man who is taken under the wing of five eccentric women who plan to make him into a perfect British gentleman. Rated R.

Midsummer Night's Dream stars Michelle Pfeiffer, Kevin Kline, Calista Flockhart, Stanley Tucci, and Rupert Everett. A group of nobles, actors, and lovers find themselves at the mercy of sprites who rule the natural world. Rated PG-13.

Drop Dead Gorgeous stars Kirstie Alley, Kristen Dunst, Eleen Barkin, and Denise Richards. A beauty pagent turns ugly when the vicious competition gets the best of the contestents. Rated PG-13.

Trippin' stars Deon Richmond, Guy Torry, Maria Campbell, and Donald Faison. An urban comedy about the fantasies of a black teenager during his final year of high school. Rated R.

The Mummy stars Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz, John Hannah, and Arnold Vosloo. A sci-fi epic about an expedition of treasure seeking explorers in the Sahara desert in 1925 who stumbles upon an ancient tomb and unwittingly sets loose a 3000 year old mummy. Rated PG-13. Opens May 7.

Lost & Found stars David Spade, Sophie Marceau, Jon Lovitz and Martin Sheen. Cmpetition with a dog leads a man to kidnapping the pooch so he can spend time on a phantom dog hunt with its

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Matrix stars Keanu reeves

Matrix stars Keanu reeves and Lawrence Fishburne. A society revolts against computer overlords that have enslaved them in a virtual dream. Rated R.

Never Been Kissed stars Drew Barrymore, Molly Shannon, and David Arquette. A talented copy editor finally gets her chance to be a reporter, but the assignment is to go undercover at a local high school to report on today's teenagers. Rated PG-13.

Pushing Tin stars Billy Bob Thornton and John Cusack. A veteran air traffic controller is challenged by a new comer and the two become obsessed whith out doing one another. Rated R.

Twin Dragons stars Jackie Chan and Maggie Cheung. A famous conductor and pianist travels to Hong Kong where he is mistaken for an auto mechanic and street hustler who turns out to be his twin seperated at birth. Rated PG-13.

Entrapment stars Sean Connery, Katherine Zeta-Jones, and Ving Rhames. An insurance investigator and a gentleman thief team up for the crime of the century, but end up falling for each other. Rated PG- 13.

Election stars Matthew Brodrick, Reese Witherspoon, and Chris Klein. A satirical comedy about a high school election that goes awry when a faculty adviser tries to sabotage the campaign of an over achieving student. Rated R.

Cookie's Fortune stars Glenn Close. A comedy about an alleged murder and the ensuing investigation in a small town in the deep south. Rated R.

Hideous Kinky stars Kate Winslet, Said Taghmaoui, Bella Riza, and Carrie Mulan. A drama set in the 1960's about a woman who takes off for Morocco with her two young daughters in an attempt to find the peace and happiness that have eluded her. Rated R. SHOWING AT THE MAPLE ART THEATER.

Life stars Eddie Murphy and Martin Lawrence. A prison comedy about two friends serving life sentences and their attempts to break out over the course of 60 years. Rated R.

The Out of Towners stars John Cleese, Goldie Hawn, and Steve Martin. This remake of the 1970 comedy starring Jack Lemmon and Sandy Dennis, a perfectly planned trip to New York becomes anything but perfect for a couple arriving in the Big Apple for a job interview. Rated PG-13.

Doug's First Movie features the voices of Thomas McHugh, Becca Lish, and Fred Newman. An animated film about the misadventures of Doug Funnie. An imaginative and Quirky 12 year-old who finds himself caught between saving an endangered "Monster" of Lucky Duck Lake and burning his desire to take Patty Mayonnaise to the school dance. Rated G.

Ed T.V. stars Matthew Mc-Conaughey, Jenna Elfman,

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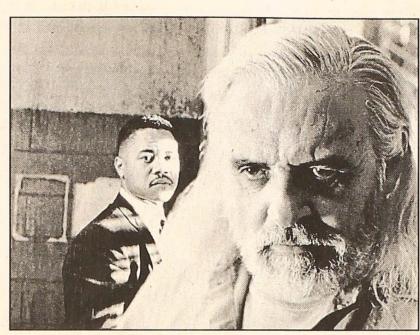
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Top photo: Donald Sutherland, left, stars as Dr. Ben Hillard, mentor to Dr. Caulder (Cuba Gooding Jr.), center. Bottom photo: Held captive in a prison for the criminally insane, primatologist Etan Powell (Anthony Hopkins), right who is accused of murder and had not spoken in years, is remanded to psychiatrist Theo Caulder (Cuba Gooding Jr.) left who must try to unlock the dark mystery from the mind of what appears to be a madman.



Woody Harrelson, Ellen De-Generes, and Elizabeth Hurley. A film about a video store clerk who agrees to be filmed all day, every day, by a 24 hour cable network. Rated PG-13.

The Mod Squad stars Omar Epps, Claire Danes, Giovanni Ribisi, and Dennis Farina. A feature film version of the T.V. hit series about three rehabilitated juvenile delinquents who become undercover cops. Rated R.

Forces of Nature stars Sandra Bullock, Ben Affleck, and Maura Tierney. A romantic comedy about a by the book New Yorker who meets a special woman while traveling to Savannah for his wedding. Rated PG-13.

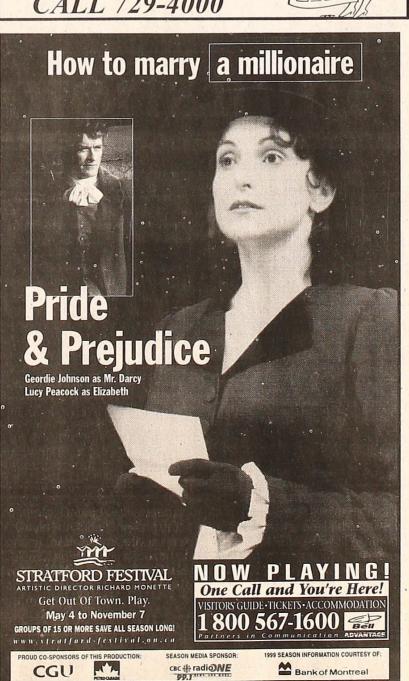
The Corruptor stars Mark Wahlberg, Cow Yun-Fat, Elizabeth Lindsey, and Byron Mann. An action packed drama about an idealistic rookie cop who learns first hand how power and influence have compromises his superiors. Rated R.

Analyze This stars Robert DeNiro and Billy Crystal. A psychiatrist must help a domineering mob boss overcome his psychological problems. Rated R.

Affliction stars Nick Nolte, Sissy Spacek, James Coburn and Willem DaFoe. This Psychological drama centers around a severely dysfunctional police officer who tries

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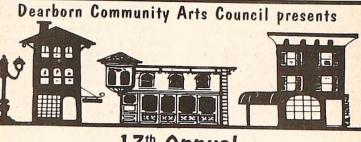
to resolve a misguided murder investigation and put his private life in order. Rated R. SHOWING EXCLUSIVELY AT THE MAIN ART THEATER.

October Sky stars Jake Gyllenhaal, Chris Cooper, Laura Dern, Natalie Canerday and Chris Owen. This coming of age saga take place in a West Virginia coal mining town where a gifted high school student, who is hungry for his dad's approval, tries to launch a real rocket. Rated PG.

Rushmore stars Jason Schwartzman and Bill Murray. A coming of age comedy of a high school student who falls for a first grade teacher. Confusing the difference between love and friendship. Rated R.

Varsity Blues stars Jon Voight, James Van Der Beek, and Scott Caan. This story is about the travails of five high school football players in a small Texas town. Rated R.

Virus stars Jamie Lee Curtis, William Baldwin, and Donald Sutherland. A thriller in which an American boat crew finds refuge aboard a secret Soviet research vessel that has been annihilated by an alien life from. Rated R.



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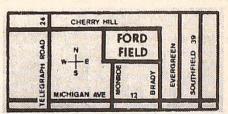


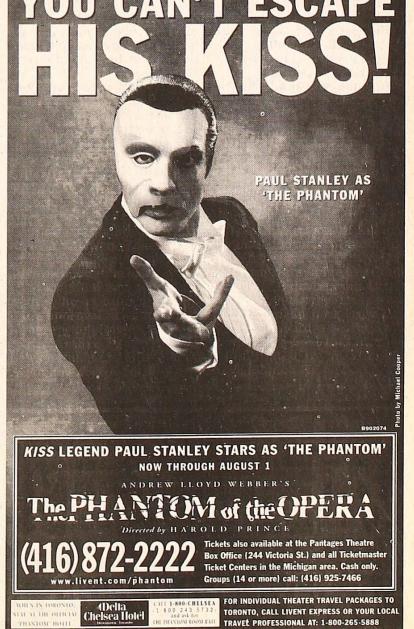
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Age 79 of Westland, passed away May 23, 1999. Dear mother of Jane. Also sur-

vived by 3 sisters and 1 grandson.

Services were held May 27, 1999 at St.

Andrews Catholic Church with intern-

ment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Ar-

rangements by Vermeulen Funeral

Age 87, of Romulus, expired May 14,

She leaves behind husband of 67 yrs.

Eddie, six children, Dorothy, Eddie, Marie, Alex, Arthur, Denise, Judith, and

Charlotte, 10 grandchildren, and a host

The arrangements by Penn Funeral

Home, services were held May 18, 1999

SCHOPPER, RAYMOND F.

SCHULTZ, EDWARD R.

WARDLAW, RUTH MAE

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HELMICK, CATHERINE HUNSCICK, DOROTHY LOMG, LARTHENIA C. MATTHEWS, ROGER

BOSTER, BLAKE S. Age 2 of Jackson, passed away May 26, 1999. Dear son of Elizabeth and Stephen. Also survived by his grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Services were held May 30, 1999 at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

BOYD, AUDREY N.

Age 91, of Inkster, expired May 13,

She leaves behind her husband of 63 yrs., Tony, daughter, Sheila & Paul, grandson, Paul Jr., granddaughter, Stephanie, 1 great grand Christopher, and family and friends.

The arrangements by Penn Funeral Home with services held May 22, 1999 at John Daly Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's

DOLETZKY, RICHARD ALAN

Age 67 of Wayne; passed away May 26, 1999. Beloved husband of the late Caroline. Dear father of Rev. Paul, Kevin, Deborah and Catherine (Timothy). Also survived by 1 brother, 1 sister and 1 grandson. Services were held May 29, 1999 at Our Saviour Lutheran Church with internment at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

FIGLEY, JAMES H.

Age 79 of Westland, passed away May 1999. Beloved husband of Elizabeth. Dear father of Dennis, Linda (Johnnie), David (Gale) and Cynthia.

Also survived by 1 brother. Services were held May 26, 1999 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with internment at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

HELMICK, CATHERINE

Age 72 of Westland, passed away May 25, 1999. Beloved wife of the late Robert. Dear mother of William, Robert (Melissa) and Margaret. Also survived by 3 brothers, 1 sister, 9 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Services were held May 28, 1999 at Uht Funeral Home. Cremation rites were accorded.

HUNSCICK, DOROTHY

Age 82 of Love Park, ILL, passed away May 13, 1999. Born Jan. 2, 1917 to the late Franklin Shick and Florence Ennis in Delaware. Beloved wife of Joseph R. Hunscick of Love Park, ILL, dear mother of Robin Johnston of Seattle, WA., Jeff Johnston of Romulus, MI., James Johnston of Schaumburg, ILL and Marlin Bodary of Crossville, TN. She is also survived by her sister Mary Johnson of Dearborn, MI., 14 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. Me-morial services will be held at a latter date in Chicago, ILL. Arrangements by Crossville Memorial Funeral Home, Inc. in Crossville, TN

LONG, LARTHENIA C.

Age 48, of Inkster, expired May 6, 1999. He leaves behind mother Ella Mae Long, brothers, Michael, Odell, Theodore, and Carnell, sisters, Bernadette, & Alicia, children, Selina, & Jason, 4 grandchildren, and a host of family and friends.

The services were held May 12, 1999, at Penn Funeral Home

MATTHEWS, ROGER Age 81, of Romulus, expired May 9,

He is survived by Harriett Crenshaw family and friends. The services were held May 13, 1999 at Penn Funeral Home. Cremation rites were accorded

MCKAY, MAXINE G.

Age 88 of Wayne, passed away May 21, 1999. Beloved wife of the deceased Kenneth. Dear mother of Terry (Kay), Tom and Tim (Sarah). Also survived by 1 brother, 1 cousin, 5 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Services were held May 28, 1999 at First Congregational Church. Cremation rites were accorded. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

OLWEEAN, DOROTHY ANN

Age 41 of Westland, passed away May 25, 1999. Beloved wife of Steven. Dear mother of Christen and Modie. Also survived by her mother and 1 brother. Services were held May 28, 1999 at Vermeulen Funeral Home.

SCHOPPER. RAYMOND FREMONT Age 86 of Savannah, TN, passed away

May 20, 1999. Beloved husband of Jane Whittemore Schopper of Savannah, TN. Dear father of Shirley Sikora of St. Louis, MO, Gail Lawson of Savannah, TN, Nancy Greene of Franklin, TN and Raymond Schopper of St. Louis, MO. Other survivors include 12 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and his brothers Lawrence Schopper of Luverne, MINN and Floyd Schopper of Romulus, MI. Mr. Schopper was a carpenter by trade and a member of Local 687 Carpenters Union. Memorial services were held May 22 at First Baptist Church in Savannah, TN. Cremation rites were accorded. Arrangements by Shackel-

SCHULTZ, EDWARD R.

Of Canton, passed away May 11, 1999 Beloved husband of Frances. Dear father of Diana (Rick) and Darlene (Jack). Also survived by 1 sister, 1 brother, 6 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Services were held May 15, 1999 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with internment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

ford Funeral Directors of Savannah, TN.

WARDLAW, RUTH MAE

Age 79, of Inkster, expired May 8, 1999. She leaves behind, sister, Tecora Brother, James, children, Larry, Joann Joyce, Wanda, & Richie Ann, 15 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren, and a hots of family and friends. The arrangements by Penn Funeral Home services were held May 13, 1999 at Peoples Community Baptist Church



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# Teen competes for Miss Detroit

Amy Denise Bugnell of Westland was recently selected to participate in Nationals' 1999 miss Teen Detroit pagent competition ion that took place on Sunday, before we went to press.

Amy learned of her acceptance last Monday afternoon. She had submitted an application and took part in an interview session that was conducted, by Lisa Mroz, this year's Detroit Pageant coordinator.

Amy competed for over \$520,000 in scholarships, prizes, and specialty gifts that will be awarded to contestants in the Miss Teen division, one of five divisions that will have young ladies between the ages of 7 and 23 competing in modeling routines, which include casual wear and formal wear. Most important, Amy will display her personality and interviewing skills while interviewing with year's Detroit Judging panel. Personality is she number one aspect that each contestant is judged

of Miss Teen Detroit, she would represent Detroit and the surrounding communities within a 200 mile radius of Detroit at the national competition in Orlando, Florida, where over \$60,000 in prizes and awards will be presented. Each contestant enjoys this expense paid six day vacation.

In her spare time Amy enjoys bowling playing pool and



Amy Bugnell

dancing .

There is no cost so Amy for participating in the pageant competition. Community businesses, organizations, and private individuals will assist Amy in this year's competition by becoming an official spon-

If Amy were to win the title sor. Through sponsorship each contestant receives all the necessary training, rehearsals, and financial support that will allow Amy to be a very confident and prepared contestant.

Any business, organization, or private individual who may be interested in becoming a sponsor of Amy, may contact her Pageant Coordinator, Lisa Mroz at 1-300-552-3361.

# Boating safety is everyone's responsibility

Whether your interest is in fishing, sailing, hunting, canoeing, or water skiing boater education is essential.

Holiday weekends are a busy time on Michigan's waterways. And the Wayne County Marine Safety patrol will be especially visible. So taking the time to be more informed on water safety will ensure that everyone can have a safe and fun-filled time. Below we have listed some helpful hints to post on your boat, distribute to friends and keep available at home:

\* Taking a boating safety class.

\* Know your boat's load limit, and don't exceed it. A safe boat is a well-equipped boat. Always carry the necessary safety gear ... and know how to use it.

\* Knowing how to swim just makes good sense if you spend time on the water. If you don't know how, LEARN. However, even good swimmers do not always survive the shock or panic of sudden immersion in cold water.

Keep life jackets visible and accessible ... and never make someone feel uncomfortable if they choose to wear a life jacket.

Learn "the rules of the road"...and obey them.

\* Don't overdo your boating fun. In 3 hours of normal boating, the noise, motion, sun, wind and glare can frequently double an individual's reac-

\* Remember to designate a driver before you begin your day on the water. A designated driver, both on the road and on the water, makes good sense.

Sheriff Robert Ficano reminds boaters that common sense is the first rule in water safety. "If proper precautions aren't taken, boating, like swimming, can be as dangerous as it is fun."

A particular area of concern is the deluge of personal water-craft use. In 1998, nearly 80,000 personal watercraft were registered in Michigan.

took effect April 1: \* Young people between the ages of 14 and 20 must suc-

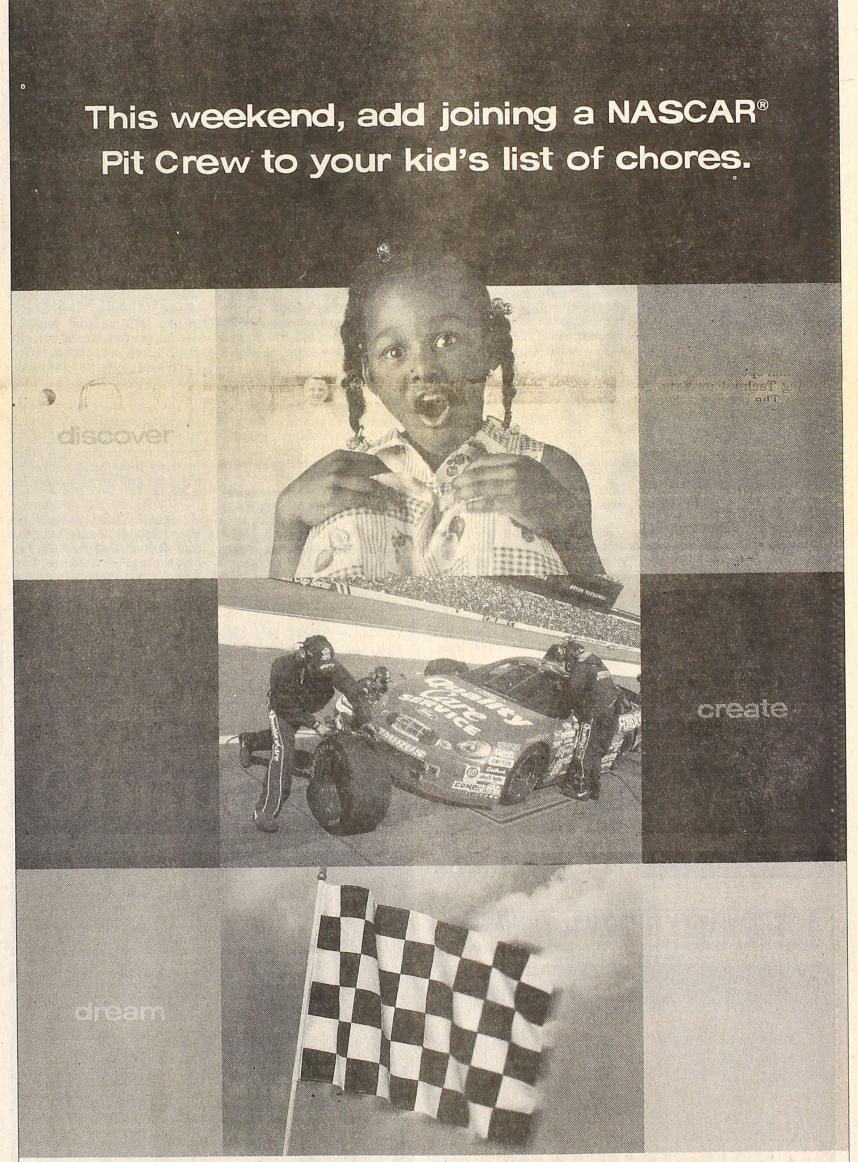
Under new state law that

cessfully complete the required safety courses. \* Personal watercraft operators must be off the water one hour before sunset, and that

all dealers inform customers

about the changes in the law. The Wayne County Sheriff's Department Marine Division has classes scheduled at Lake Erie Metro Park every Monday night beginning on June 7, 1999. To pre-register or check on other week nights and locations of boater safety classes, call 734-675-2660.

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# Racing

# Dragster driver rescued after parachute won't open

By DON NICHOLSON MCN Special Writer

Congratulations go out to Rick Schneider of Bellville for winning bracket one at Milan Dragway Saturday.

Rick ran an almost perfect 8.149 second run at 163 mph on a 8.15 dial in to win his final round. Nice way to start off the weekend.

Rick also went on to finish in the semifinals Sunday in the quick 16 program.

Another local racer, Rick Woods of Dearborn Heights, took home the runner up money in the quick 16 program in his 1982 Pontiac Firebird.

Although not from this area, well known Milan driver Bob Ginther qualified with the low ET of the meet with a 6.87 second run at 217.65 miles per

Unfortunately, Bob didn't finish well after his parachute failed to open, and Bob took a run for the sandpits well past the finish line. Thanks to the rules, regulations and the safety crew of the N.H.R.A. and Milan Dragway, Bob survived this run.

I wish Bob well and I hope we see him back in the seat of another Blue Angel.

If you are into Mopars, Milan is the place to be this weekend, with its all Mopar weekend. For more information Call Milan @ 734-439-7368

or www.milandragway.com Lost but not forgotten is Detroit Dragway.



American Power Wash draws a big crowd for the first cruise and their grand opening.

I ran into a nice lady at this year's Autorama. Debi is trying to keep the memories alive from the old Sibly and Dix 1/4mile Dragstrip by putting together a book. If anyone has any pictures or stories about their times at Detroit Dragway, please get in touch with Debi at Drag Unlimited, PO Box 109, Flat Rock, MI 48134.

**Upcoming events** 

June 13 is the Toy and Poker run to benefit the Shriners' hospitals for crippled children. Starts at 11:00 a.m. at Mary Jane's Motorcycle shop. For more info call Grumpy or Grouchy at 734-422-0970.

Also on June 13 is the 18th

Benefit Softball and Car Show. Starts at noon at Rotunda Fields. For more info, call Steve or Nikki Novotny @ 734-453-4719.

July 12th is the 7th Annual Burger Car Show and Racing Collectibles Auction resented by Varsity Ford and Ramchargers. This show benefits Burger School for Autistic Children in Garden City, which serves all of Wayne County. The show starts at 6:00 p.m. at Garden City High School on Middlebelt, south of Warren. For more info call Don Nicholson At 734-721-5570 or e-mail to Burger-carshow@HOtmail.com/

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# **Double amputee inspires students**

Motivational speaker Ron Bachman spoke at the annual Spring Technology Expo recently. The expo was held at the William D. Ford Career/ Technica. Center in Westland.

Bachman, sponsored by the Southeast Michigan Dodge Dealers Association, is a double amputee who him spoken to over 75,000 metro Detroit students since January. He spoke briefly and presented his autobiographical film, "Walk This Way."

The expo also featured an exhibition of films produced by local media students; career networking with area employers; live demonstrations from students in technical programs; and opportunities to meet with representatives from local colleges and univer-

"We are so pleased that Ron had the opportunity to speak with these students," said Rob Robbins, owner of Crestwood Dodge in Garden City. "Ron inspires these young people by showing that they can achieve their goals."

Check out our Wheels & Deals section this week.



Right to left: John Prusak, William D. Ford Tech Center; Kathy Vander, "Walk This Way" producer; Ron Bachman; Rob Robbins, Crestwood Dodge.

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# Buy your graduate a cell phone

(NUE) - It's a moment that you and your children having been waiting for and working towards all your lives: Gradua

But after the ceremony ends, staying in touch with them can be a challenge. Motorola suggests you consider giving a wireless phone for your graduates.

Before you do, the manufacturer of the popular digital StarTAC wireless telephone, advises you to do your own homework and learn more about the features of today's wireless phones. First, Motorola offers you some helpful hints to get you started on what to look for in a wireless phone.

Today's phones are smaller and thinner than ever before. To get the most for your money, look for a sturdily built, conveniently lightweight phone to help give you optimal performance.

Despite their size, wireless phones should have large



StarTAC Wireless

easy-to-read displays that allow their users to read the screen without squinting or holding it two inches from their noses.

Wireless phones also should be compatible with various

batteries and accessories, such as power adapters and desktop chargers, and even technologically advanced accessories like Motorola's Star-TAC Clip-on Organizer.

Missing an important phone call because the ringer is turned off to avoid disruption is a thing of the past. Many of today's phones offer a vibration option to alert the user of an incoming call.

Beyond the standard fare of features, many of today's exceptional yet affordable mobile phones also include other convenient features such as built-in phone books that store numbers as well as speed-dial and voice mail capabilities.

Many of Motorola's wireless phones offer all these features

and more. For more information on the StarTAC phone and its accessories or any other Motorola products, visit the company's Web site at www. motorola.com.

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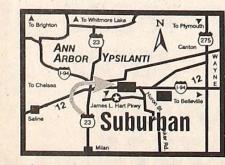
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# Romulus

# Lear Corp. to seek tax abatement

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Lear Corporation's Lear Siegler Inc. of Romulus will be seeking a \$1.7 million tax abatement hearing at 7 p.m. next Monday at the Romulus City Council Chambers.

The abatement is being sought for new machinery and equipment needed to be purchased to complete seat assemblies in Chrysler Dakotas and General Motors Windstars.

According to Kirk L. Fisher of Colliers International, the above listed projects "will allow Lear's Romulus Plants 1 and 2 the opportunity to launch successful programs that will further strengthen

Lear Corporation's
Lear Siegler Inc. of
Romulus will be
seeking a \$1.7 million
tax abatement.

Lear's image as a world class seat supplier."

Fisher added "more importantly, these projects will insure the longevity and the success of the operations at both Romulus facilities."

The Lear Siegler Inc. plants are located at Eureka and I-275 in Romulus.

In other recent City Council actions:

•a master lease was ap-

Check out our
Wheels & Deals section
this week.

proved with Banc One Leasing Corp. to lease/purchase a 100-foot aerial ladder truck for Ithe Romulus Fire Department.

•accepted a proposal from Innovative Floor Covering for \$4,475 for installation of new carpeting at the Romulus Recreation Department.

The cost also included the tearing out and disposal of the

Some gypsy

moths found

City officials in Romulus

Since the gypsy moth issue

has not been totally resolved in the city as thought, Cox is

urging anyone finding such

moth nests or other evidence

of their local existence to call

his office 942-7569.

are aware that some gypsy

moth infestations have been found in the Wabash area, David Cox, assistant to Mayor William Oakley, revealed on

in Romulus

Tuesday.

old carpeting.

•approved the reappointments of Romulus Tax Incre-

ments of Romulus Tax Increment Finance Authority board members Larry Williams and Jeffrey Williams. The new terms are to expire on Nov. 30, 2002.

•approved on second reading and final adoption of the city's tree and woodland preservation ordinance.



David Cox



### Top manager

Romulus McDonald restaurant manager Kelly Riley, right, was presented with an 1998 Outstanding Manager Award by James Collins, McDonald's district manager. Riley manages the restaurant at 9777 Wayne Road in Romulus. MCN Special Photo

## CITY OF ROMULUS APPENDIX A - ZONING AMENDMENT 1.161

An Ordinance to Amend various sections of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Romulus, being ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS, Section 2.02, Definitions, by adding definitions of terms related to trucks and trucking uses; ARTICLE IV GENERAL PROVISIONS, by adding Section 4.38 Truck Maneuvering, Access and Circulation Standards; ARTICLE XVII: M-1, LIGHT MANUFACTURING DISTRICT; Section 17.03 Permitted uses after special approval, to eliminate Air Freight Forwarders classified as a truck terminal from special approval uses in the M-1 district; and ARTICLE XVIII: MT-1 INDUSTRIAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 1, Section 18.03 Permitted uses after special approval, and ARTICLE XX: MT-2 INDUSTRIAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 2, Section 20.03 Permitted uses after special approval, to clarify that major and minor truck repair are special approval uses in these districts.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

PART 1:

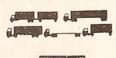
ARTICLE II, DEFINITIONS, Section 2.02 Definitions is amended to include the following definitions:

Truck: Any single unit or combined vehicle used to carry people, goods, material or equipment for commercial purposes, such single or combined vehicle having a combined gross vehicle weight rating of 22,000 pounds or more as rated by the Michigan State Police Motor Carrier Division.

Truck, Single Unit: Any vehicle used to haul goods and materials for commercial purposes, such vehicle consisting of a single unit, not having a tractor with a separate trailer connected by a swivel hitch as illustrated (right):



Truck, Combined, Semi-or Tractor Trailer: A vehicle used to haul goods and materials for commercial purposes with a trailer attached to a tractor with a swivel hitch, as illustrated (right):



Truck Terminal: Any premises with a gross floor area greater than 15,000 square feet used by a company which is the origin and/or destination point of goods being transported for storing, transferring, loading and unloading and designed to accommodate the simultaneous loading or loading of more than one truck per 5,000 square feet of gross floor area. Such truck loading or unloaded facilities shall include, but shall not necessarily be limited to, truck docking births, bays or any space inside or outside of a building or trans-shipment point designed for loading or unloading trucks. Sites with a single industrial building with less than 15,000 square feet of gross floor area that are designed to load or unload trucks shall not be considered to be a truck terminal. Also, industrial buildings with multiple, attached tenant spaces that have an office space at the front of each tenant space an a rear warehouse or light manufacturing space with a single rear truck dock, shall not be classified as a truck terminal for the purposes of this ordinance.

Truck Storage: Any facility designed to accommodate the storage of more than (5) trucks as defined by this ordinance (including only the trailer portion of a combined, tractor trailer truck) for more than a continuous 24 hour period. Need to clarify that applies only where the principal use is determined to be storage and excluding warehousing and other industrial uses where staging and parking of trucks is incidental to the permitted principal use.

Air freight forwarder: A premises and building utilized for the loading or unloading of trucks concerned with the delivery to receipt of freight shipped via aircraft. Such facility may include, as an accessory use, warehouse space necessary for the transitory storage of air freight. Air freight forwarders with a gross floor area greater than 15,000 square feet that include facilities designed to accommodate the simultaneous loading or unloading of more than one truck per 5,000 square feet of gross floor area shall be considered truck terminals and shall be subject to all restrictions of this ordinance for truck terminals.

Warehouse: A building or part of a building used or intended to be used primarily for the storage of goods or chattels that are to be sold retail or wholesale from other premises or sold wholesale from the same premises; for the storage of goods or chattles to be shipped on mail order; for the storage of equipment or materials to be used or installed at other premises by the owner or operator of the ware-

house; or for similar storage purposes. Warehouses with a gross floor area greater than 15,000 square feet with facilities to accommodate the simultaneous loading or unloading of more than one truck per 5,000 square feet of gross floor area shall be considered a truck terminal and shall be subject to all restrictions for truck terminals.

Major Truck Repair: Any facility where major repairs are per

formed on trucks or maintenance or repair of any kind is performed on more than five trucks at any one time. Major repairs include engine rebuilding, rebuilding or reconditioning of trucks, collision service, such as body, frame, or fender straightening and repair; overall painting and undercoating of trucks, major overhauling of engine requiring removal of cylinder-head or crank casepan, recapping or retreading of tires, or steam cleaning and similar activities.

Minor Truck Repair and Maintenance Facility: A facility where minor maintenance and repairs are performed on not more than five (5) trucks at any one time and where not more than five (5) trucks are stored for not more than 24 hours while awaiting repairs or maintenance. Any facility designed to perform maintenance or minor repairs on more than five trucks at any one time shall be considered a major truck repair facility and shall be subject to all restrictions on such facilities. Minor repairs and maintenance includes replacement of minor engine or body parts such as replacement of tires, ignition parts, air and oil filter, replacement of fluid and re-fueling and cleaning and washing the body and engine. Heavy repairs such as engine or drive train replacement, rebuilding, painting or body work are not considered minor maintenance or repair and are considered major truck repair.

### PART 2:

ARTICLE IV, GENERAL PROVISIONS, Section 4.38, Truck Maneuvering, Access and Circulation Standards is added to include the following standards:

Section 4.38 Truck Maneuvering, Access and Circulation Standards

A. All site plans submitted under Section 4.04 of the Ordinance must indicate the type and volume of truck traffic anticipated at the site, define and provide dimensions of all truck access and circulation lanes, and indicate all truck loading/unloading areas on the site plan. Driveways and roads of commercial and industrial facilities anticipated to receive truck traffic must be adequately designed to accommodate such traffic (see Figure 4.38-1).

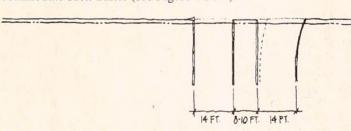


Figure 4.38-1 - Typical Driveway Standards for Truck Access

B. Site plans must include a diagram with the dimensions of trucks anticipated at the site and show all existing and proposed truck circulation patterns, including the direction and flow of truck traffic on the site (see Figure 4.38-2). Site plans must indicate the dimensions of all truck service drives, berths and dock approaches in conformance with the following minimum standards. Greater dock approach, turning radii, and truck maneuvering area dimensions may be required based on the truck circulation patterns and conditions of each site.

C. Design features for trucking facilities should include larger turning radii and added maneuvering space and pavement design to accommodate trucks. Such standards shall be at least the minimum recommended by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials or another standard specified by the City Engineer.

D. Minimum truck dock design standards are provided in the following table and diagram (see Figure 4.38-3):

Truck Wheel	Truck Berth	Recommended Truck	Recommended Dock
Base Length	Width (feet)	Apron Length (feet) <sup>1</sup>	Approach (feet)
40	10	46	86
	12	43	83
	14	39	79
45	10	52	97
	12	49	94
	14	46	91
50	10	60	110
	12	57	107
	14	54	104
55	10	65	120
	12	62	117
	14	58	113
60	10	72	132
	12	63	123
	14	60	120
70	10	77	140
	12	68	131
	14	65	128

Additional truck apron length may be needed, depending upon the location and design of the service drive, to accommodate truck turning movements.

APRON TRUCK LENGTH

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BUILDING

Figure 4.38-3 - Truck Dock Terms

ARTICLE XVII: M-1, LIGHT MANUFACTURING DISTRICT; Section 17.03 Permitted uses after special approval is amended to read as follows:

B. Air freight forwarders, except air freight forwarders meeting the definition of a truck terminal as defined in this ordinance, subject to the following standards:

PART 4:

ARTICLE XVIII: MT-1 INDUSTRIAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 1; Section 18.03 Permitted uses after special approval is amended to read as follows:

A. Truck terminal and truck tractor and/or truck trailer sales, rental, storage, leasing, and/or major and minor truck repair subject to the following standards:

PART 5:

ARTICLE XX: MT-2 INDUSTRIAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 2; Section 20.03 Permitted uses after special approval is amended to read as follows:

A. Truck terminal and truck tractor and/or truck trailer sales, rental, storage, leasing, and/or major and minor truck repair subject to the standards of Section 18.03a(1) through (13).

PART 6:

### Repeal of Conflicting Provisions

All resolutions, ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

PART 7:

### Severability

The various parts, sections, and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

PART 8:

### Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication in the official newspaper.

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance duly adopted by the Romulus City Council at its regular meeting held on the 10th day of May, 1999.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

ATTEST:

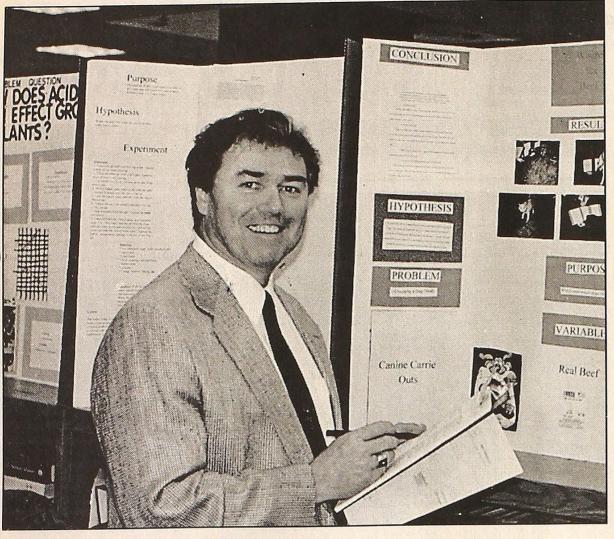
William M. Oakley, Mayor

Within forty-five (45) days after the publication of any ordinance duly passed by the Council, a petition may be presented to the Council protesting against such ordinance continuing in effect. Said petition shall contain the text of such ordinance and shall be signed by not less than six percent (6%) of the registered electors registered at the last preceding election at which a Mayor of the City was elected. Said ordinance shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from operation and the Council shall immediately reconsider such ordinance.

INTRODUCED: ADOPTED: PUBLISHED:

April 5, 1999 May 10, 1999 June 3, 1999

# Romulus Middle School Science Fair



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# **Looking back**

Romulus High School Principal Daniel Hurst -- ironically a former science teacher and principal at the middle school -- returns to his old haunts to examine the latest science exhibits there. MCN Special

## **Check it out**

Romulus School Board trustee Eva Webb is shown examining Romulus Middle School science students' projects and exhibits of all styles that include various analysis and conclusions. MCN Special Photo

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL **HELD MAY 10, 1999**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Randolph Gear, Mayor Pro Tem

Present: LeRoy D. Burcroff, William A. Crova, Randolph Gear, Donald R. Morris, Michael A. Prybyla, Debbie Romak, William J. Wadsworth

Absent: None Excused: None

Administrative Officials in Attendance: William Oakley, Mayor Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

1. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to accept the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Pamela Kersey, Treasurer

99-168

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Romulus City Council held May 3, 1999.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3A. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to authorize the closure of Grover Street between Bibbins & Rosewood Streets subject to the approval of the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Bill Wensko.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5A. Motion by Morris, supported by Burcroff to award Bid 99-12 for a single axle dump truck to the only bidder Bill Wink Chevrolet in the amount of \$72,611.00.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5B. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Morris to award Bid 99-19 for a play structure at Merriman Park to Playground Installers of Michigan, the bidder who offers more play options and play areas, in the amount of \$15,000.00.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

99-173

5C. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to approve an addendum to the 1998 Pavement Program with Barrett Paving Company to include Cypress Street from Wayne Road to Hunt Street at an increased cost of approximately \$50,000.00.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

99-174

5D1. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to approve and adopt the Fiscal Year 1999/2000 General Appropriations Act for the City of Romulus and the 34th District Court as follows:

### CITY OF ROMULUS

### **GENERAL AND SPECIAL** APPROPRIATIONS ACT

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR ADOPTION OF A BUD-GET PROPOSED BY THE MAYOR CONTAINING ESTIMATES OF PROPOSED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1999 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2000 AND MILLAGE RATES TO SUPPORT THIS BUDGET.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY **OF ROMULUS:** 

**SECTION 1.** That for the expenditures of the City Government and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000, the amounts in the following sections are hereby appropriated.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund on an activity basis, the following:

COUNCIL	72,286
MAYOR	311,766
ELECTIONS	86,784
ASSESSOR	320,156
LEGAL	250,600
CLERK	298,945
FINANCE	438,029
PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS	221,596
BOARD OF REVIEW	2,500
TREASURER	300,271
BUILDING & GROUNDS	1,976,848
CITY OWNED PROPERTY	22,750
CEMETERY	106,839
COMMUNITY SERVICE	63,150
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC	
DEVELOPMENT	122,776
PUBLIC RELATIONS	74,976
UNALLOCATED	427,915
POLICE	6,932,836
FIRE	785,982
BUILDING	949,336
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	•84,677
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	491,836
DRAINS-AT-LARGE	36,000
ORDINANCE	192,541
ANIMAL SHELTER	152,816
RECREATION	465,131
LIBRARY	213,200
PLANNING	110,360
HISTORIAL COMMISSION	10,275
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	7,060
UNRESOLVED CLAIMS	30,000
TRANSFERS TO DEBT SERVICE	3,289,610
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,849,845
CONTINGENCIES	340,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10.100.015

& CONTINGENCIES 19,189,845

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APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 3,564,224

TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 19,189,845

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

SECTION 3. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Major Street Fund on an activity basis, the follow-

3,421,461

TRAFFIC SE	RVICES	51,026
WINTER MA	INTENANCE	112,896
DITCHING		51,798
TRANSFER '	TO LOCAL STREETS	202,000
TOTAL EXP	ENDITURES	
& CONTING	ENCIES	3,839,181
REVENUES		
STATE SHAR	ED REVENUES	920,000
INTEREST O	N INVESTMENTS	38,000
PAVING INSP	PECTION FEES	2,000
STORM DRA	IN INSPECTION FEES	40,000
REIMBURSE	MENTS	3,000
ENGINEERIN	NG FEES -	
REIMBURSE	MENTS	3,000
OTHER INCO	OME	1,000
TRANSFER I	N -	
GENERAL FU	UND	2,000,000
TOTAL REVI	ENUES	3,007,000

SECTION 4. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Local Streets Fund on an activity basis, the follow-

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	1,417,165
TRAFFIC SERVICES	55,331
WINTER MAINTENANCE	92,325
DITCHING "	75,382
TRANSFER TO DEBT SERVICE	0

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES 1,640,203

REVENUES

TOTAL REVENUES

STATE SHARED REVENUES	350,000
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	20,000
SALE OF FIXED ASSETS	0
PAVING INSPECTION FEES	0
STORM DRAIN INSPECTION FEES	100
REIMBURSEMENTS	3,000
ENGINEERING FEES -	
REIMBURSEMENTS	200
OTHER INCOME	2,000
TRANSFER IN - GENERAL FUND	875,000
TRANSFER IN - MAJOR STREETS FUND	202,000

SECTION 5. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Cable Television Fund on an activity basis, the following:

1,452,300

CABLE TELEVISION 105,958 REVENUES 76,200

SECTION 6. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Street Lighting Fund on an activity basis, the following:

STREET LIGHTING 320,000 REVENUES 267,000

# CWW still debating fate of area juvenile crime

By CAROL MARSHALL MCN Staff Writer

The clock is tick, tick, ticking and the Conference of Western Wayne needs to make a decision regarding their involvement in intervention for delinquent 17-year-olds.

The conference, made up of representatives from local communities debated whether or not they wish to become involved in the sentencing and treatment of youthful offenders, or let a social service organization, such as the nonprofit Plymouth group, Growth Works, bid on the somewhat daunting task.

Until now, the near-adults who get into trouble have been sentenced by the State of Michigan at probate court in Detroit. Those who require out-of-home placement currently number about 2,000 young people out of about 3,300 total youthful offenders in Wayne County.

In the past, the agreement between the state and county was a 50-50 financial arrangement, in which the state and county share the cost of sentencing and housing the young offenders. However, Dale Yagiela, executive director of Growth Works, says in reality, the county picked up 80 per cent of the tab. And the cost is steep-up to \$75,000 per year per each placement.

Yagiela says Growth Works works with troubled youths and already is the entity in charge of placing and treating

the younger teens, typically seeks to keep as many young offenders as possible in their own homes.

Youths under the age of 17 are assisted and sentenced locally, and adults are channeled through local district

State legislature passed in December, 1998 gives control and funds back to Wayne County in the form of a block grant. What this means to local communities is that they each must decide what to do with their 17-year-old delinquents when they are no longer shuttled to the state. As a result, the county requested bids from companies wishing to provide care, and become a CMO, or Care Management Organization.

Suzanne Hall, assistant county executive for Wayne County administration, said at a special CWW meeting Friday that she was surprised to find out that CWW would be a possible bidder in the CMO race. She said she expected groups like Growth Works to contend for the job.

The conference members have to wrestle with whether or not to serve as a CMO because they have in the past stood firm on their stance that they would not be directly involved in implementing services. However, acting as CMO in Western Wayne communities is a financially attractive proposition, due to the number of residents who have health insurance. Add to that

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the prospect of charging an oversight fee, and the CWW stated the project would become a revenue source.

Among other advantages, the CWW sees the project as an opportunity to have local control of services, and gear them to individual community needs.

In the CWW plan, the conference would be the administrative arm of the CMO, and the treatment would then be hired out to Growth Works. Yagiela pressed the conference for answers about their level of involvement because they are bidding with or without the CWW.

Hall said bidders are encouraged to demonstrate their community ties-- which the CWW has many--as well as success rates for reducing recidivism, and ideally explain how they could reduce out-of-home placements for the delin-

Yagiela says reducing out-of home placements serves the community in two ways. First, costs of treatment can be

greatly reduced. And second. the organization implements a "Wrap Around" therapy in which parents and family members are treated as well. Other resources include inhome assistance and foster care, parenting classes, and family and individual counseling and drug/alcohol abuse treatment.

He says the wrap around treatment is essential to success. A youth can be sent to an out-of-home center, only to return to the same troubled family situations and peer group. So Yagiela explains that in the current system, 60-70 per cent of youthful offenders placed out-of- home will wind up in the adult corrections system.

He adds that violent teens, sex abuse victims and sexual predators will still require out-of-home placements, but Growth Works hopes to reduce them by half.

Van Buren supervisor Helen Foster brought up questions about finances, asking what happens if the CMO runs out of grant money before the

end of the year. Yagiela said the county, at this point, is "flying blind, and subsequently so are we.'

Belleville mayor Tom Fielder asked if communities in the CWW can opt out, and Yagiela said they can. "This [map of CWW] is going to look like Yugoslavia when it's done, the way it's going to be all cut up," Yagiela said.

He added that those communities that have a good working relationship with their social service groups will likely choose to take their portion of the grant money and handle their own delinquents.

Fielder said the CWW plan appealed to him because it's large enough to serve the teens, but not so large it can't be managed. "Right now, it's too big, when you send them down to the void in Detroit," he said.

Westland chief of police Emery Price raised suspicions because the county has agreed to pay for out-of-home placements. "When these kids come back into the communities, and the community is totally responsible for providing all the social work, you're saying that the county's going to pay for that?" he asked. "I question when Wayne County wants to give you something.'

Yagiela explained, "I think that Wayne County has a series of headaches they'd like to get out of."

The communities are expected to give the teens support after release from out-of-

home placements, in the form of counseling, probation and charter schools, which Inkster mayor Edward Bivens, Jr. took issue with. "Why are charter schools preferrenced?" he asked. "I'm sick of them. I have eight of them in my little city and the administrators are making money on them."

Yagiela explained that often public schools simply cannot meet the needs of youthful offenders, and charter schools can specialize their services for them.

Bivens also took issue with sentencing the teens in local district courts. "How are you going to do that when the judges exercise their own discretion?" he asked.

Foster said her biggest concern about making the bid is the tight deadlines paired with too many unanswered questions. The conference must decided by June 15 whether or not to bid, and that's just too soon she said. The conference was not willing to vote Friday, but Yagiela asked for an informal poll in order to proceed with Growth Works' proposal. Canton supervisor Tom Yack said either plan was fine with him. Plymouth Township supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy said she's in favor of the CWW plan, explaining that, "If CWW doesn't do it then the area will get carved up by bidders who are after the insurance."

The rest of those in attendance said they'd rather let Growth Works go it alone.

Section 7. That for the said-fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitation Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SANITATION 593,220 REVENUES 661,000

SECTION 8. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Community Development Grants Fund on an activity basis, the following:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS 210,000 REVENUES 210,000

SECTION 9. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the 911 Fund on an activity basis, the following:

Ori 3. That for the said fiscal year there 5,500 911 FUND REVENUES 87,500

SECTION 10. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Narcotics Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:

NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT 298,590 450,000 REVENUES

SECTION 11. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Building Authority Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:

BUILDING AUTHORITY DEBT SERVICE 414,140 415,500 REVENUES

SECTION 12. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SEWER DEBT 415,808

618,753 REVENUES

SECTION 13. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Water Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:

WATER DEBT 60,0000 REVENUES

SECTION 14. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer and Water Fund on an activity basis, the

7,667,612 SEWER AND WATER 7,035,602 REVENUES

SECTION 15. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Vehicle and Equipment Fund on an activity basis, the following:

VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT 1,292,711 1,379,165 REVENUES

SECTION 16. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Retirement Insurance Benefit Fund on an activity basis, the following:

90,050 RETIREE INSURANCE BENEFITS 510,132 REVENUES

SECTION 17. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Property and Liability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:

PROPERTY AND LIABILITY SELF INSURANCE REVENUES

600,000 615,000

SECTION 18. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Long Term Disability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:

LONG-TERM DISABILITY SELF-INSURANCE REVENUES

11,000 14,000 SECTION 19. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Tax Increment Finance Authority Funds on an activity basis, the following:

TIFA DISTRICT I -REVENUES

SECTION 20. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Tax Increment Finance Authority Funds on an activity basis, the following:

TIFA DISTRICT II -REVENUES

5,499,786 4,027,022

400,200

87,215

SECTION 21. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Tax Increment Finance Authority Funds on an activity basis, the following:

TIFA DISTRICT III - SPECIAL REVENUE 1,282,257 REVENUES

SECTION 22. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Downtown Development Authority Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY -SPECIAL REVENUE REVENUES 511,500

SECTION 23. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Economic Development Corporation Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

REVENUES

6,974 1,400

SECTION 24. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated the following Capital Budget expenditures.

CAPITAL BUDGET

15,510,893

SECTION 25. That amounts budgeted for specific items or purposes and not required to be utilized for such items or purposes may be spent by the Mayor for other items or purposes within the same activity for which such allocations are made.

SECTION 26. Be it further resolved that the following millage rates as provided by charter or statute be assessed.

9.7540 **OPERATING MILLAGE** SANITATION MILLAGE 0.9000

0.7000 DEBT SERVICE

SECTION 27. Be it further resolved that the Property Tax Administration Fee and any type of late penalty charge as provided for by charter or statute be assessed.

### CITY OF ROMULUS

# GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS:

That for the expenditures of the 34th District Court and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000, the following amounts are hereby appropriated.

**OPERATING EXPENDITURES** 

2,136,669

6,150

That for the 34th District Court's Work Program and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000, the following amounts are hereby appropriated.

**OPERATING EXPENDITURES** 

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth.

Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5D2. Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla to approve and adopt the following millage rates as provided by Charter or Statute be

assessed as follows for the Fiscal Year 1999/2000:

**Operating Millage** Sanitation Millage **Debt Service** Total

9.7540 0.9000 0.7000 11.3540

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

99-176

5E. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Morris to adopt a Resolution for the survey of Wahrman Road between Northline Road and Grant Road as the legal description and register same with the Wayne County Register of Deeds.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth.

Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A1. Motion by Morris, supported by Burcroff to approve the second reading and final adoption of Zoning Amendment 1.160.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A2. Motion by Crova, supported by Morris to approve the second reading and final adoption of Zoning Amendment 1.161.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth.

Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

99-179

6A3. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to introduce an amendment to the Romulus Code of Ordinances (PC-018-03-99) by adding a new Chapter 38, Tree and Woodland Preservation Ordinance to preserve trees and woodlands within the City where possible and to provide for some substitute trees to be planted when the removal of trees is necessary for development of a property.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

99-180

9. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to adopt a resolution for Stears Hardward acknowledging their 50 years in business.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

99-181

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to pay Warrant #99-09 in the grand total amount of One Hundred and Seventy Three Thousand, Nine Hundred Ten Dollars and Fifty Five Cents (\$173,910.55).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris, Prybyla, Wadsworth.

Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

ular meeting of the Romulus City Council. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Morris,

12. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to adjourn the reg-

Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held May 10, 1999.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

# Senior wins 2 airline tickets



Assistant Romulus High School Principals Doug Hoffman (left) and Melvin Kimbrough congratulate Betty Jo Caines, a senior, who won a pair of airline tickets at the student of the month session.

Ten Romulus High students won U.S. Savings Bonds during student of the month activities on May 18.

Winning a \$100 bond was senior Stephen Harper. Winning \$50 bonds were 9th

graders Geoffrey Raphael and Jennifer Davis; 10th grader Tara Brown; 11th grader Eric Staten; and 12th graders Katie Lockhart, Rachael Parker, Steve Hatfield, Jeremy Hendricks and Christa Ander-





## Leader's treat

Retiring Romulus Schools' Band Director Richard Kruse treated Wick Band members and their parents to pizza and pop at the last Spring Concert of his career here. Shown enjoying the hot pizza are (from left) Monet Smith, a fourth grade flutist; Lindsay Beregsasy, a fifth grade clarinetist; and Meerica Brown, another fifth grade clarinetist. MCN Special Photo

### NOTICE CITY OF ROMULUS NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

Pursuant to and by authority conferred upon me by the Secretary of State by Section 794C of Act No. 116 of the Public Act of 1954, as amended, notice is hereby given that a Public Accuracy Test shall be conducted by the Election Commission of the City of Romulus at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 10, 1999 in the City Clerk's Office, 11111 South Wayne Road, for the purpose of certifying the programs to be used in the counting devices which will be utilized to process Absentee Ballots in the June 14, 1999 Annual School Election. Said Meeting is open to the public and any concerned citizen may attend.

> Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

Publish: June 3, 1999

### CITY OF ROMULUS, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO ELECTORS

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE ROMULUS COM-MUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF ROMULUS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Annual School Electionwill be held in the Romulus Community School District in the City of Romulus, County of Wayne, State of Michigan on Monday, June 14, 1999, from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m., Prevailing Eastern Standard Time.

The following vacancy for member of the Board of Education will be voted upon in the Romulus Community School District:

### ONE (1) FOUR (4) YEAR TERM

Each person voting on the above must be:

(a) A citizen of the United States of America.

(b) A registered elector of the Romulus Community School District. (c) Eighteen (18) years of age or older.

The polling places will be open for voting from 7:00 a.m., to 8:00 p.m. at the following locations:

Precinct Location

Wick School, 36900 Wick Road, Romulus, Michigan

Halecreek School, 16200 Harrison Road, Romulus, Michigan

Lorena Burton Building, 35403 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan Merriman School, 15303 Merriman Road, Romulus, Michigan

Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan Mt. Pleasant School, 39000 Superior, Romulus, Michigan

Lorena Burton Building, 35403 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan

Fire Station #2, 7221 Middlebelt, Romulus, Michigan

Cory School, 35200 Smith Road, Romulus, Michigan Mt. Pleasant School, 39000 Superior, Romulus, Michigan 11

Merriman School, 15303 Merriman, Romulus, Michigan

13 Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 14 Wick School, 36900 Wick Road, Romulus, Michigan

Fire Station #2, 7221 Middlebelt, Romulus, Michigan

Halecreek School, 16200 Harrison Road, Romulus, Michigan

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Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan

(\* There is no Precinct #6)

Public notice is hereby given by the Romulus City Clerk in accordance with Section 380.1002 of the Michigan Election Law, as

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

Publish: June 3, 1999 June 10, 1999

### A. CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS **BID 99-28**

COMPREHENSIVE CITY WIDE FIXED ASSET INVENTORY

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified vendors for the above item.

- (1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit bids must do so on forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from Kristian Moe, Purchasing/Computer Services Director, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI or by calling (734) 942-7564.
- (2) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 p.m., June 22, 1999. At that time said bids would be publicly opened and read.

BID ENVELOPES SHOULD BE MARKED: CITY CLERK CITY OF ROMULUS, MICHIGAN BID 99-28 COMPREHENSIVE CITY WIDE FIXED ASSET INVENTORY 11111 WAYNE ROAD ROMULUS, MI 48174-1472

(3) The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and proposals and to waive technicalities. A bid guarantee in the amount of 5% of the bid price will be required.

Publish: June 3, 1999

### A. CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS BID 99-29

CASCADE SYSTEM FOR REFILLING SCBA CYLINDERS

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### **CITY OF ROMULUS** PLANNING COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Monday, June 21, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485. The purpose of the meeting is to consider PC-034-05-99, a request to rezone 6775 Merriman (DP# 007 01 0925 301), 6785 Merriman (DP# 007 01 0924 301), vacant parcel (DP# 007 01 0923 301), 6861 Merriman (DP# 007 01 0920 301), 6885 Merriman (DP# 007 01 0919 303), vacant parcel (DP# 007 01 0918 000), 6955 Merriman (DP# 007 01 0917 301) from R1-B (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (General Business).
WAYNE ROAD

MERRIMAN ROAD
All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, June 21, 1999 and should be addressed to Bradley Raymond, Assistant Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485.

> Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

Publish: June 3, 1999

### CITY OF ROMULUS **APPENDIX A - ZONING AMENDMENT 1.160**

An Ordinance to Amend Appendix A, Article VII, RE, R1-A, R-1B, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, Section 7.06(f), One-and-Two Family Dwelling Standards of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Romulus by Adding Provisions to Regulate the Minimum Roof Pitch for Residential Construction Allowed Within the City of Romulus.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

SHORT TITLE: This Ordinance shall be known and Section 1. cited as the Amended Zoning Ordinance.

Article VII, Section 4.07 is amended to read as Section 2: follows:

Section 7.06.F One - and two-family dwelling standards.

Single family dwellings shall be aesthetically compatible in design and appearance with other residences in the vicinity, with either a roof overhang of not less than six (6) inches on all sides, or alternatively with roof drainage systems concentrating roof drainage at collection points along the sides of the dwelling; has not less than two (2) exterior doors, with the second one (1) being in either the rear or side of the dwellings; contains steps connected to said exterior door areas where a difference in elevation requires the same. Proposed single family buildings shall have a pitched roof or similar roof style which is compatible with existing single family buildings in the surrounded neighborhood. No new single family construction shall contain pitched roofs with a pitch of less than 4:12. In making such determination of compatibility, the chief building inspector may consider the following factors: total square footage; length to depth proportions; value and quality of construction; exterior building materials; architectural style and design and roof line; as well as the character, design and appearance of a majority of the residential dwellings (excluding mobile home parks) within two thousand (2,000) feet of the subject dwelling. The foregoing shall not be construed to prohibit innovative design concepts involving such matters as solar energy, view, unique land contour, or relief from the common or standard design home.

### Section 2: Repeal of Conflicting Provisions

All resolutions, ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

### Section 3: Severability

The various parts, sections, and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

### Section 4: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication in the official newspaper.

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance duly adopted by the Romulus City Council at its regular meeting held on the 10th day of May, 1999.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

William M. Oakley, Mayor

Within forty-five (45) days after the publication of any ordinance duly passed by the Council, a petition may be presented to the Council protesting against such ordinance continuing in effect. Said petition shall contain the text of such ordinance and shall be signed by not less than six percent (6%) of the registered electors registered at the last preceding election at which a Mayor of the City was elected. Said ordinance shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from operation and the Council shall immediately reconsider such ordinance.

INTRODUCED: ADOPTED: PUBLISHED:

April 5, 1999 May 10, 1999 June 3, 1999